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QUESTION ARISES ON RATIFICATION OF IRISH TREATY

Power Rests With Members of House of Commons for Southern Ireland Constituted Under Act of 1920—That Body Likely to Be Summoned—De Valera Expected to Fight.

PUBLIC BODIES IN ALL SOUTH PRONOUNCE IN FAVOR OF TREATY

DUBLIN, Dec. 29.—Although no compromise between the opponents and advocates of the Anglo-Irish treaty in the Dail Eireann has yet been attained, future plans designed to avoid wrecking the agreement are being considered.

It is generally recognized that Eamonn de Valera was right in stating that the Dail has no power to ratify the treaty. The treaty itself prescribes the mode of ratification to be by the members elected to sit in the House of Commons of Southern Ireland, which was constituted under the Home Rule Act of 1920, but which actually never met, and which, except for the purpose of ratifying the treaty probably never will meet. Its full membership is nearly, but not quite, the same as that of the Dail.

The Dail includes some members from Northern Ireland, and excludes four elected to the Southern Parliament from Trinity College. The idea is that after the Dail approves of the treaty, which it is expected to do by a comparatively small majority, the ratifying body named in the treaty shall be summoned. The Dail members who are dissatisfied with the treaty need not attend this gathering, it is pointed out, and their colleagues, plus the Trinity College members, might ratify the document unanimously. The Dail would still function as Ireland's only recognized elected parliamentary assembly.

SHIPBUILDING HAS DARK DAYS

Mr. Lithgow, President of Association, Declares Statement That Tide Has Turned—Unemployment Increasing

LONDON, Dec. 29.—James Lithgow, president of the Shipbuilding Employers' Association, dealing with the present state of the business, says it cannot be too strongly emphasized that any semblance of prosperity in British shipbuilding is wholly dependent upon international factors.

"We not only have to face the competition of foreign builders, but our ships when built have to be able to hold their own in the world's markets for freight and passage money," he said.

Mr. Lithgow disagrees with those who write or speak as if the tide had turned again in shipbuilding.

"In 18 months," he adds, "unemployment has grown from practically the lowest point in the history of the past fifty years to the highest point ever recorded, and it has not yet reached the limit."

The decline in the number of plans named by Lloyd's Register for new vessels to build in this country (a sure barometer) indicates without doubt that as the work on hand is completed there is nothing to take its place.

Mr. Lithgow adds that labor costs have risen 250 per cent owing to the shorter hours and less effort on the part of the workers, to the more restricted conditions, and to the continuance of wage increases justified by war conditions.

OLD GERMAN SHIPS CARRY RELIEF FOOD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Three former German ships have been chartered by the Allen Property Custodian to the American Relief Commission to carry food to Russia.

It is understood they will sail within the next two or three days.

CALCUTTA FREE FROM DISORDER

Welcome to Prince of Wales Has Been Most Enthusiastic—City Has Grown More Festive Every Day

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A dispatch to The London Times from Calcutta, reviewing the stay of the Prince of Wales in that city, says there has been an almost total absence of disorder, and that since the peacefulness of the first day of the Prince's visit gave the lie to the stories of impending massacres and the people found it safe to go into the streets, great crowds have gathered upon every opportunity to see the Prince and to share in the festivities.

The dispatch adds that the city progressively has grown more festive day by day; that the Prince is followed everywhere with great enthusiasm, and that all stories of mob violence are untrue.

The one fatality was the murder of a single policeman, who was found dead on a quiet street corner of the city.

SPLENDID GIFT MADE FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Stowe House, Buckinghamshire, which was recently purchased for £50,000, has been offered as a gift to the Association of Preparatory Schools. Stowe House was the seat of the Duke of Buckingham until the extinction of the title in 1893. It has about 300 acres attached to it.

At the annual conference of the association, Mr. Norwood, headmaster of Marlborough College, announced that if funds were available it was proposed to found a new public school.

The gift of Stowe House is an interesting sequence to this announcement.

AUSTRALIA MAKES LARGE WHEAT EXPORT

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Official figures just published, says a Reuters cable from Melbourne, show that 2,585,000 tons of wheat were shipped from Australia in 1921, the whole of which, except 212,000 tons, went to Europe.

The sum of £54,000,000 was disbursed to the farmers, being a record sum for one season.

FEAR EFFECTS ON EDUCATION

Members of Associations Are Alarmed by Reports of Economy Committee Cutting Down Expenditure

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Rumors that the report of the economy committee headed by Sir Eric Geddes, which is still a closely-guarded secret, contains drastic recommendations regarding education have produced a considerable flutter in the educational dovocates.

Professor Jacks, a well-known educationalist, in an address at the annual conference of educational associations, appealed for a Dominion status for education, and declared that the country was on the verge of a new crusade which struck at the fundamental cause of the miseries and failures of civilization. The time had come, he said, when education should not be dominated by politicians.

Professor Jacks did not take the position that the schoolmaster was to dictate to the politician, but declared that certainly the politician-economist had no right to treat the schoolmaster as the servant of his designs.

RUSSIAN TRADE FINDS OBSTACLE

Soviet Commission Declares Its Inability to Execute Contracts in Germany—Prussian Bureaucracy Blamed

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—The official Soviet Trade Commission has notified German firms with which it has been dealing here that it is unable to conclude pending agreements.

It says it is hampered in the execution of its contracts by difficulty in securing permission for its representatives to enter Germany and by lack of office space in Berlin.

The commission, which has a monopoly on German trade, has at present a personnel of 140 officers.

The Tagblatt, commenting on the complaint, charges that the trouble is due to the Prussian bureaucracy, the psychology of which can easily be seen; it is the fear of Bolshevism which has sought a last retreat in the bureau of the Prussian Ministry of the Interior, the police can easily control Russian radical activities. It charges that the Prussian Minister of the Interior is going out of his way to hamper the Russian representatives, and argues the necessity of the trade commission increasing its staff. In order to be able to handle the increasing business upon which Germany must count for much of her future commercial advantages.

It is reported in well-informed quarters that negotiations are under way for the establishment of a Russian credit fund here of one billion marks, to be guaranteed by Russian treasury notes which will not be put in circulation.

To this proposal Die Zeit suggests the possibility that the arrangement will lead to the reconstruction of Russia with German reparations bonds.

It has been announced that the Deutsche Bank, the Berlin Chamber of Commerce, the Dresdner Bank and the Warburg Banking house have been named as correspondents of the Russian State Bank, and that commercial telegraphic connections are available to all parts of Russia.

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VANCOUVER, Dec. 29.—The Canadian head of the Victorian Order of Nurses, Mrs. C. H. Hargrove, of Ottawa, arrived here today on a tour of inspection of coast branches.

The move came up behind her, called "hands up" and fired before she could turn to face them, said Miss Porter. A soft-nosed bullet passed clean through her thigh.

The man ran away. A citizen automobile belonging to a citizen in the neighborhood of the hold-up is believed to indicate the means of their escape. They were still at large at a late hour tonight.

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Study Economic Situation
PARIS, Dec. 29.—A number of British financiers and manufacturers arrived today for a meeting tomorrow with a similar French delegation. The purpose of the meeting is to study the economic situation and means of improving it, with particular reference to the question of reopening trade with Russia.

WILL CONSIDER BY-ELECTIONS

Fixing of Dates for Nomination and Polling in Cases of Ministers Is First Business of Cabinet

END OF JANUARY IS PROBABLE TIME

Seat Must Be Found for Hon. James Murdock and Hon. C. Stewart—Latter Finds None in Alberta

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—Dates of the by-elections for the return of the members of the Liberal ministry, sworn in this afternoon, will be the first business to come before the meeting of the Cabinet here tomorrow, it was stated in Liberal circles this evening. Members of the King administration will remain in the capital for at least a week for a series of Cabinet meetings, at which preliminary organization work will be carried out, dates of by-elections settled, and perhaps some progress made toward preliminary arrangements for the relief of unemployment.

Liberal members stated that writs would probably be issued next week. This would bring the elections on during the last week of January or the first week of February. The first meeting of the new Cabinet late this afternoon was described by Premier King as of a purely preliminary nature. No business was transacted.

Hon. J. E. Sinclair, minister without portfolio, arrived too late to take the oath. He will probably visit his Excellency tomorrow for that purpose.

While discussion as to the probable dates of the by-elections was rife in the capital tonight, one of the main topics was who would withdraw in favor of Hon. James Murdock, Minister of Labor. Mr. Murdock was defeated in East Toronto, and a seat will have to be found for him. He has expressed a preference for an Ontario seat.

Mr. Stewart's Case
WINNIPEG, Dec. 29.—Hon. Charles Stewart, of Alberta, Minister of the Interior in the new administration, is not a member of Parliament, and was not a candidate in the recent election. Mr. Stewart was Prime Minister of Alberta previous to the Provincial election last summer, which returned the United Farmers to power in his place, although he himself was elected by acclamation for Sedgwick, and it had been expected that he would take his place in the Legislature as leader of the Liberal opposition.

Alberta returned to Parliament eleven Progressives and one Labor candidate who had Progressive endorsement.

CALGARY, Dec. 29.—Hon. Charles Stewart, former Premier of Alberta, and now Minister of the Interior in the King Cabinet, will not find a seat in Alberta, it is stated tonight. It is understood that several members have been approached to resign and offer their seats to Mr. Stewart, notably W. T. Lucas, of Victoria riding, Mr. St. Louis, of Regina riding, but none have agreed to do so.

TROTZYK PRETENDS TO FEAR ATTACKS

MOSCOW, Dec. 29.—The Soviet army and navy, now totalling 1,595,000 men, must have been reduced, but, on the contrary, must increase training and be prepared for war next summer in the event that outside forces carry out their plans to attack Soviet Russia, declared Soviet Minister of War Trotsky in a fiery speech before the ninth all-Russia congress today.

Enthusiastic applause greeted Trotsky when he said the Japanese were aiding the white guard aggression in the Far East, and added:

"The impudent imperialist beasts of prey must know that besides the four powers which have just concluded an agreement among themselves there is still a fifth—Soviet Russia and the Red army."

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Little Headway Made On Submarine Matter

Naval Committee of Conference Spends Day in Discussion on That Subject and Airplanes—Root Resolutions Taken Up—Sir Robert Borden's Conclusions

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The arms conference naval committee spent all of today discussing the proposal to restrict submarine warfare, but got no further than a general understanding to reaffirm existing principles of international law.

The subcommittee on aircraft decided to abandon any effort to limit the airplane strength of the powers, and to recommend instead that an attempt be made to agree on restrictions that would make air warfare conform with considerations of humanity. Even such regulations, however, were said to be considered by subcommittee members as difficult of formulation.

All the other naval and Far Eastern discussions before the conference remained at a standstill today except for an intimation from the Japanese that only mediation by the United States and Great Britain could save the Shantung negotiations from final deadlock.

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Sir Robert Borden's View
Sir Robert Borden, for Canada, said he understood Mr. Root to have set forth "existing rules, which had been followed in the past to govern the actions of nations in time of war," and no doubt these rules were correctly stated and should have been followed by belligerent vessels during the recent war, although in fact they had been "wantonly violated."

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The transfer was accompanied by no pomp or ceremony other than the formal taking of oath by the new members of the cabinet. Shortly before 3 o'clock in the afternoon His Excellency the Governor-General, attended by his military secretary, his private secretary and aides de camp, arrived at his office in the East Block. He was not in uniform.

The retiring Prime Minister was in his own office, and waited there until the half dozen members of the old cabinet remaining in town had gathered. Then they all proceeded to the office of the Governor-General and bade him farewell. Before the ceremony of swearing in formally the new members took place, Mr. King had an interview with the Governor-General, which occupied about a quarter of an hour. While it was in progress, the new cabinet had assembled at the Privy Council chamber, and about half past three its members marched in couples down the hall to the Governor-General's room. The leaders of the procession were Hon. W. S. Fielding and Hon. G. P. Graham, and the former was heard to ask the latter where to find His Excellency. "I've forgotten the way," he remarked facetiously.

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MEIGHEN MINISTRY HOLDS LAST MEETING

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—The Meighen Government held its final meeting this morning. Only half a dozen ministers, including the Premier, gathered around the council table for the last time.

Those present were Premier Meighen, Sir Henry Drayton, Sir James Lougheed, Hon. G. D. Robertson, Hon. J. A. Stewart and Hon. H. B. Bennett. The meeting lasted for but three-quarters of an hour, and was one of the shortest that has been

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NEW MINISTRY TAKES OFFICE

Hon. Mackenzie King Is Sworn In as Prime Minister—Senator Bostock Minister of Public Works

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Liberal leader, was sworn in as Prime Minister this afternoon. His cabinet slate is officially announced as follows: by provinces—Saskatchewan—Hon. William Richard Motherwell, Minister of Agriculture.

Alberta—Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior, Hon. William Andrew Gendron, Minister of Mines.

British Columbia—Hon. Hewitt Bostock, M.A., Minister of Public Works.

Nova Scotia—Hon. William Stevens Fielding, L.L.D., D.C.L., Minister of Finance; Hon. Daniel Duncan McKenzie, Minister without portfolio and Solicitor-General.

New Brunswick—Hon. A. B. Copp, L.L.D., Secretary of State.

Prince Edward Island—Hon. John Ewen Sinclair, Minister without portfolio.

Quebec—Hon. Raoul Dandurand, L.L.D., K.C., Minister without portfolio; Hon. Hon. M.D., Minister of Soldiers' Re-establishment and Minister in charge of the Department of Health; Hon. Sir Lomer Gouin, K.C.M.G., L.L.D., Minister of Justice; Hon. Jacques Bureau, L.L.B., Minister of Customs and Excise; Hon. Ernest Lapointe, B.A., L.L.B., Minister of Marine and Fisheries; Hon. James Alexander Robb, Minister of Trade and Commerce.

Ontario—Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King, C.M.G., M.A., L.L.B., L.L.D., Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs, President of the Privy Council; Hon. George Perry Graham, Minister of Militia and Defence and Minister of the Naval Service; Hon. Charles Murphy, B.A., K.C., Postmaster-General; Hon. Thomas Andrew Low, Minister without portfolio; Hon. William Costello Kennedy, Minister of Railways and Canals; Hon. James Murdoch, Minister of Labor.

New Ministers
Hon. James Murdoch is altogether a newcomer to Canadian political life, but for many years has been one of the Dominion's prominent labor men. He is Canadian vice-president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. Mr. Murdoch was born at Brighton, England, of Scotch parents, August 18, 1871, being brought to Canada in 1874. His early years were spent on a farm in the county of Kent, Ontario. He left his home in April, 1890, when he entered the service of the Canadian Railway as a brakeman and conductor, in which capacity he served until July 21, 1908. On September 29, 1919, Mr. Murdoch was appointed to the Board of Commerce, continuing in this post until June 24, 1920, when he resigned. Both of Mr. Murdoch's sons served overseas with the Canadian expeditionary force.

Hon. Thomas A. Low has been in political life since 1908, when he was elected to the House of Commons for South Renfrew for the first time. He was again elected in 1911, but resigned in 1912. He contested South Renfrew again this year and won by a sound majority. Mr. Low is a business man of long standing and is a lumber merchant and manufacturer. He is president of the Renfrew Machinery Co., Ltd., president of the Renfrew Flour Mills Co., Ltd., president of the Renfrew Electric Manufacturing Company, Limited, president of the Renfrew Manufacturing Company, and a director of the Renfrew Power Co., Ltd. Mr. Low was born in Quebec City on March 12, 1871, is married, and is a Methodist in religion.

DOMINION TRADE SHOWS DECLINE

Both Exports and Imports Reported as Falling Off During Twelve Months Ending With November 30

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—Heavy declines in Canadian trade are shown by a bulletin issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics for the twelve months ended November 30.

The total exports for the twelve months were \$80,458,548, as against \$112,526,450 for the same period last year, and \$1,351,004,840 in 1919.

An even larger decrease is shown in the total imports. For the twelve months period ended last November these amounted to \$25,326,586, as against \$1,436,592,800 in 1920, and \$20,082,927 in 1919.

Duty collected in the twelve months ended November amounted to \$184,184,941 as against \$207,418,629 in 1920. For the twelve months ending November Canada imported goods from the United Kingdom to the value of \$123,802,142, and from the United States \$179,427,941, and exports to the United Kingdom valued at \$305,317,708, and to the United States \$259,018,107.

Canada's export trade for the period under review increased with Germany and Japan. Imports increased with Bermuda, British Guiana, Germany, The Netherlands, Greece and Mexico. Declines are shown in business with all other countries.

During the same twelve months Canada exported 20,552,208 bushels of oats, compared with 15,926,997 bushels during the previous year. She exported 147,097,129 bushels of wheat, as against 95,966,528. Exports in printing paper also showed a slight increase, and exports in fax seed advanced from 1,119,453 bushels to 3,812,113.

The exports of wheat flour were 1,134,849 barrels in 1921; 1,359,923 barrels in 1920, and 10,621,924 barrels in 1919. All other commodities showed declines.

CLOTHING WORKERS MUST PRODUCE MORE

MONTREAL, Dec. 29.—Declaring that the cost of manufacturing clothing in Montreal is too high, and that there is little possibility of a revival of work until costs are reduced, the board of arbitration set up in that market to consider wages for the coming season, has ruled that the workers shall increase production from 10 to 15 per cent, wages to be reduced 10 per cent at the end of one month if the increase in production is not made.

The reason given by the board for its decision to order an increase in production rather than a wage cut, was that "much greater savings in costs and in prices to the consumer can be made by increasing production than by cutting wages. Moreover, cutting wages reduces purchasing power, which is bad for the country. If the workers will not increase production, however, there is no other remedy than to cut wages."

Enforcement of the decision is placed in the hands of a production commission, which will compare production next January with production in the last year.

Whether a wage cut will be necessary will depend upon the record of the workers.

EXPECT TREATY TO BE RATIFIED

Newspaper Correspondents in Ireland Predict Early Action by Dail—Ulstermen Showing Bitter Feeling

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The majority of English newspaper correspondents in Ireland see in the growing volume of sentiment for the peace treaty an indication that ratification will go through easily soon after the Dail Eireann reconvenes next Tuesday. Some predict that a vote will be taken as early as Thursday, January 5.

The constant increase in the number of expressions by public bodies in favor of the treaty is emphasized by the correspondents. The Times man in Dublin declares it almost certain that every meeting called to discuss the treaty during the Dail's recess will vote in its favor, and says that no instance has been reported of any intention anywhere to hold a meeting hostile to it.

A few of the writers refer to yesterday's report that a compromise, insuring ratification of the treaty, had been reached at a secret meeting of the leaders of both factions in the Dail, but none is able to confirm such a meeting held.

The Morning Post's Belfast correspondent telegraphs that the opinion in Ulster is that the Dail meeting will be held at the end of the next week, and adds: "With some knowledge of what is happening, I venture the prediction that Irish delegates may be seen again in London before long."

While Southern Ireland is recording its approval of the treaty, the Ulstermen, according to Belfast despatches to The Daily Telegraph, are passing resolutions refusing to agree to the boundary commission provided for in the treaty. Numerous meetings have been held at which expressions of anger against the British statesmen were made as freely as those of distrust of the Sinn Fein.

RED DEMONSTRATION FOR EUGENE V. DEBS

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 29.—Eugene V. Debs, Socialist leader, was paroled Christmas Day from the Federal prison, was resting at his home here today, following a rousing homecoming celebration tendered him last night by thousands of his followers and fellow-townsmen. Relatives announced that for the next few days Mr. Debs would probably remain in the city.

Debs arrived here last night and was met at the station by a crowd estimated at between 10,000 and 15,000 persons who formed a parade and escorted him to his home, where he responded to the greeting with a short address.

Persons in the big crowd who gathered about the Debs' home were bedecked with red hats, carrying banners of red fire and large placards of flaming red colors.

Seattle Shooting Case
SEATTLE, Dec. 29.—Roarce McKnight, a barber, was held here today on an "open" charge in connection with the fatal shooting of Edward McKutledge, a plasterer, yesterday. McKutledge died in a hospital last night following an operation.

McKnight gave himself up a short time later. McKnight said he shot McKutledge in self-defense, according to police.

Liberal Federation
ALMAHABAD, British India, Dec. 28.—At the opening of the fourth session of the All-India Liberal Federation today, Govind Arasava Vira, president of the federation, delivered an address in which he said it was the duty of the Liberals to offer their most loyal and cordial welcome to the Prince of Wales, whose utterances had justified the Viceroy's assurance that the Prince's visit had no political object.

President Vira urged that the Liberals strive for full Dominion status within the British Empire. He pointed out that co-operation always had been the Liberal motto. He declared it was their duty to help the Government in legitimate efforts to uphold peace, but said a "positive officer" had used extraordinary powers excessively and indiscriminately, and that the arrest of respectable men had caused the deepest regret.

He regretted the unfortunate action of Gandhi, the Nationalist leader, which had resulted in abandonment of the round table with Lord Reading, the Viceroy, a few days ago.

Ignorant conception of Gandhi's belief in India, that Mohandas Kramachand Gandhi, the Nationalist leader, who is styled Mahatma, possesses supernatural powers is growing, and was the title given Gandhi months ago, when there could be found in out-of-the-way Indian vil-

DARWIN THEORY IS DISCREDITED

Eminent English Scientist Says It Is No Longer Accepted as Regards Origin of Species—Evolution Stands

TORONTO, Dec. 29.—Standing before the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and welcomed by that body as "one of the greatest scientists of England," Prof. William Bateson, world-famous biologist, in the convocation hall of the University of Toronto last night, uttered statements which were indicative of a change in the attitude of a section of the scientific world towards doctrines connected with the Darwinian theory of evolution that were little short of revolutionary.

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which is buying up the entire cotton crop for export.

The non-co-operators have been trying to persuade the Indians to use no cotton cloth save that of native spinning and weaving.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—New currency to the amount of four and a half billion marks was placed in circulation during the third week of December. It is shown by figures available today. The total currency issue is over 100,000,000 marks.

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THE NEW GOVERNMENT.

Mr. Mackenzie King was sworn in as Prime Minister of the Dominion yesterday. He has announced his Cabinet, the personnel of which does not contain many surprises, as it is pretty much as forecasted in dispatches. Mr. Lester B. Pearson, appointed Minister of Justice, Quebec has six Cabinet Ministers and furnishes the holders of the portfolios of Trade and Commerce, Marine, and Customs, as well as the Minister of Soldiers' Re-establishment. Ontario has equal representation, but the portfolios are hardly of equal importance to those accorded to Quebec. The choice of Mr. W. B. Fielding as Minister of Finance is a wise one, and will be learned of with considerable satisfaction throughout the country. Another Cabinet nominee from Nova Scotia is Mr. D. D. McKenzie, who claims as a former leader in the House of Commons of the Liberal Party could hardly have been overlooked. He becomes Minister without portfolio and Solicitor-General. New Brunswick furnishes the Secretary of State in Mr. A. B. Cope, and a Cabinet position goes to Mr. J. E. Sinclair, of Prince Edward Island, who is a Minister without portfolio.

Western Canada has but three Cabinet Ministers as compared with six in the late Government. Senator H. Bostock becomes Minister of Public Works, but, according to a statement issued by the Prime Minister, this is only a temporary arrangement. Mr. Bostock is to become Speaker of the Senate, when the portfolio for British Columbia will revert to a member of the House of Commons. The hope will be entertained that when this change is effected the portfolio of Public Works will still be assigned to this Province. The new Minister of Agriculture is Mr. W. R. Motherwell, and his appointment will be received with favor throughout the Prairie Provinces, where his knowledge of the industry is recognized. Alberta furnishes the Minister of the Interior in a former Provincial Premier, Mr. Charles Stewart. Apparently Manitoba is to have no Minister unless a new portfolio is created, or the Cabinet, which has been reduced, is again enlarged.

Notable men in the Liberal Party who are omitted from the Cabinet include Mr. Rodolphe Lemieux and Mr. E. M. Macdonald, and their omission means that there are other posts reserved for them. Mr. Lemieux is to be elected Speaker of the House of Commons, but there is no indication of what the future has in store for Mr. Macdonald. The Cabinet may not be fully representative of the country, but it must be admitted that Mr. King's task was a difficult one with such slim material from which to pick in the West. Three Cabinet Ministers from Canada, West of the Great Lakes, is an entirely inadequate representation, but we believe it is the intention of the Prime Minister to make a readjustment at an early opportunity. At present Manitoba has a legitimate grievance for having been overlooked. From the standpoint of the East the Cabinet could hardly be bettered. It contains some figures who would strengthen any Government, and who will prove of the utmost value, through their counsel, to Mr. Mackenzie King in solving the problems with which he has promised to grapple.

STATE EDUCATION.

"Municipal governments have during the past few years," says The Monetary Times, "been too much under the sway of educationists who were certain that increased expenditure would more than repay itself. This may be the case, but the councils have not been able to reimburse themselves. The increase in the outlay for this item has been more rapid than sound policy permits." This viewpoint regarding education is not developed in the financial journal from which we have quoted. It is merely stated as a fact, which experience in this Province in one respect shows to be incontrovertible. Within municipalities the schools that have been erected, have, in many cases, involved too great an expenditure both in their construction and equipment. We have had specialized courses added to the curriculum which have involved the engagement of experts. One of the most grievous faults of our educational experience is that the rich as well as the poor parents avail themselves of the free schools, and in doing so increase the taxation for school purposes. Those who can well afford to pay for the education of their children should not throw them as a burden on the State in an educational sense.

If it can be established that the people want State education to the extent that it is now carried on, then we maintain that when children reach the High School stage their parents should be required to pay tuition fees in proportion to their financial ability. It may be a difficult matter to arrange, but some solution has to be

found to reduce the overburdening costs which the people as a whole are now called upon to bear. The school age in this Province is fourteen years, and when children have completed their fourteenth year that should be the limit to the free education they are entitled to receive. Neither the Provincial Government nor the municipalities has ever received a mandate from the people to give free State education to children after they are fifteen years old. There is force in the argument that the children of the poor should not have their educational opportunities summarily brought to an end at the age of fifteen, but the finding of money for education has become such a task that some reforms affecting our High Schools are necessary.

The compulsory school age should not be the limit on free education. If it did we should, probably find that the cost could be reduced by more than one-third, and the youth of the Province would not suffer to anything like the degree that might be anticipated. The children would benefit at the present time through a revision of the curriculum and the elimination of subjects which should not rightly come within the category of those embraced in a policy of free education. It cannot be stated too often that we are turning out children with a theoretical smattering of knowledge in technical subjects which does not fit them for any trade or profession, and we are encouraging children to take up technical education to an extent which is not warranted by economic conditions. We say again, too, that technical studies are being emphasized to the disadvantage of a good groundwork in general education. Many of the children bear evidences of this, and the teachers cannot say, with justice, that it is not the case. It is a difficult matter to arouse public interest in educational matters except through the pockets of the taxpayers. The growing cost of education, as ordained in this Province, must eventually bring the people to a realization that some drastic reforms are necessary if the school system is to be kept within the means of the taxpaying community.

OAK BAY PARK.

The asset that the B. C. Electric Park in Oak Bay is to the people of that municipality is one with which we do not think they would willingly dispense. Through the courtesy of the street car company it has been made available for playing fields for the school children of the municipality, and is used by those who attend both public and private schools. It has become the playground of Oak Bay, which has no other public space for the use of its citizens. The company has offered to sell the land to the municipality for a sum of \$10,000, so that it may be used for park purposes in perpetuity, and with this desire in view, the Council is putting a money bill before the people next month. The land is worth a good deal more than the price asked, and, if the municipality does not purchase it, the purpose of the street railway company is to subdivide and sell the property for residential purposes. It would be a pity if this playground disappeared from Oak Bay, and the loss would be a serious one to the children.

Oak Bay's finances are in a healthy state, far more so than those of many other municipalities in the Province. Oak Bay has always had efficient government. The expense involved by the purchase of the park site in question will hardly be felt by the taxpayers of the municipality, who, we feel sure, will take a pride in providing playing grounds for their children. The offer made by the company is an exceptionally advantageous one, and if it is not accepted the park land will be subdivided and sold. Oak Bay needs a park, and it should perpetuate the existing one by making it a municipal possession. We understand that beyond the purchase price the municipality is unlikely to be faced with any extra expenditures, as the work of laying out the park in the necessary playing fields, tennis courts, etc., will be undertaken by voluntary labor. This is an asset upon which few municipalities can pride themselves, and it will prove an incentive to the residents to endorse the purchase of the land with the facilities which it has of giving their children open, air and healthy recreations.

PRESENTATION MADE TO LEADER OF CHOR

Mr. J. O. Steves, Who is Leaving City, Was Honored at First Baptist Church Last Night

Last evening in the schoolroom of the First Baptist Church the members of the choir were the guests of the executive board of the church upon the occasion of the making of a presentation to Mr. J. O. Steves, choir-master, who is leaving the city for Kaslo, B. C. Supper was served at 6:30, and following this the pastor, Rev. W. P. Freeman, called on a number of the members of the executive who, in short speeches, expressed gratitude on behalf of the church for the services rendered by the choir and spoke in eulogistic terms of the choir-master, Mr. Steves. During the evening Miss Mary Middleton, on behalf of the choir members, presented Mr. Steves with an engraved leather music case, and Mr. W. H. Dinmore, on behalf of the church, presented him with a cheque. Mr. Steves responded with suitable words of gratitude and bespoke for the choir continued success in their labors in the musical portion of the church services.

A Russian woman writing to a friend in America appeals for food and candles, saying that the craving for sweets at times is almost unbearable.

HUDSON'S BAY-STAFF FORMS ASSOCIATION

Management Gives Employees Banquet and Dance—Organization Created for Social and Welfare Purposes

The first social gathering and dance was given last evening by the management of the Hudson's Bay Company for its staff, when the Hudson's Bay Employees' Association was formed and officers elected. Fully five hundred sat down to a most enjoyable repast, during which Mr. Tom Beattie's orchestra rendered musical selections, and songs were beautifully sung by Miss Isabelle Taylor and Mr. Bert Waude, both employees of the company.

Mr. G. A. H. Fure, the general manager of the store, presided, and was elected by acclamation to the presidency of the newly formed association. In his opening remarks, Mr. Fure thanked the staff on behalf of the company for the loyalty and splendid support shown since the opening of the establishment last September, and especially during the recent Christmas rush. He was proud to see such a fine gathering, and hoped there would be many such in the future.

In explaining the objects of the association, Mr. Fure intimated that the idea had been heartily endorsed by the department managers, while the company and advisory committee were entirely in favor of it and would give the association adequate financial assistance.

Two branches The organization, Mr. Fure explained, would be divided into two branches, social and welfare.

The welfare branch would embrace the giving of benefits during absence through sickness, and medical attention, as well as visits by committee members for employees ill or unfit for work. It would also include several other features. The social branch would be for the encouragement of athletics, such as hockey games, skating parties, etc., while card parties, dances, picnics and so on would be arranged.

Mr. Fure hoped that every member of the staff would join, although it was in no way compulsory. Other Officers Also elected by acclamation were Mr. Baker, as treasurer of the association, and Mr. Thos. Wilkinson as secretary. After balloting for the election of two vice-presidents and twelve members to serve on the executive committee, it was announced that the result would be made known today.

The business having been concluded, the gathering adjourned to the third floor, and, joined by two hundred or more friends, spent the remainder of the evening in a programme of dancing and singing. The banquet and dance held last evening, which proved such a big success and was greatly enjoyed by everyone present, will, it is hoped, be only the first of a series of social gatherings of this nature.

PLEASANT REUNION AT ORPHANS' HOME

Sixty-Two Children Remembered at Annual Christmas Tree Entertainment—Former Inmates Present

A happier time could not well be imagined than that which took place at the Protestant Orphanage yesterday, when over sixty inmates of the Home enjoyed their annual Christmas tree entertainment. The successful affair was held in the dining-room, which was well filled by subscribers and friends of the institution and other friends of the children, who heartily enjoyed the pleasant time provided.

While Santa Claus did not make his annual visit yesterday afternoon, the inmates of the Home did not fail to receive their Christmas gifts, which hung from a neatly decorated Christmas tree in the centre of the large room. Members of the ladies' committee distributed the various presents to the kiddies, who opened their parcels with the utmost delight. Many of the former inmates of the institution were present.

The dining-room was tastefully decorated with holly, plants and greenery of various kinds, while the Christmas tree presented a pretty picture, with its varied colors, lights, tinsel, miniature Christmas stockings, bags of candy and Christmas bells suspended from the branches.

During the afternoon a splendid programme was given. Mrs. McFay, the president of the ladies' committee, directed the proceedings. Alderman-elect Reginald Hayward, president of the Home, gave an interesting talk to the children, in which he referred to their good behavior and high regard for the Home. Mr. J. M. Campbell, principal of North Ward School, also spoke a few words.

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Warm Elderdow
Kimono, Regular
\$7.95 and \$8.95, to
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Kimono and Break-
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All Winter Coats Offered at Decided Reductions

To effect a clearance of our stock of Winter Coats, we are offering them at greatly reduced prices. Women who wish to obtain a smart coat will do well to investigate the following bargains:

Regular to \$35.00 Coats
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The coats featured are smart in style and are wonderful values. They are developed from wool coatings and are well tailored throughout. All popular colors are represented. Sizes 16 to 44.

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Here's a chance to purchase a high grade coat at a bargain price. They are designed from quality velour and fitted with large fur collars; well lined and fashionable colors; sizes 16 to 44.

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In this group one finds many exclusive models of velour, Normandy and Bolivia cloth. All have large fur collars and are lined throughout with silk or satin; sizes 16 to 40.



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Separate Skirts

Regular \$10.75 to \$15 for \$7.50

The low price is only one of the attractive features of these skirts. The styles will appeal to you, and the quality of the material will further impress you; a choice of stripes, plaids and plain colors; pleated and gored styles in all lengths; sizes 25 to 30 waist measure. Regular \$10.75 to \$15.00, reduced to \$7.50.

Winter Millinery at Great Savings

A timely price-cutting on smart Winter hats that enables you to buy a new hat at a large and genuine saving. You cannot afford to miss this sale.

50 Smart Ready-to-Wear Hats, in French felt, velvet and hatter's plush; also Rain Hats. Regular values to \$7.50, reduced to \$4.95.

100 Winter Hats, of fine felt and duvety, in a good range of shades. Regular values to \$5.00, reduced to, each, 98c.

Prices Deeply Cut on Sweaters

A clean-up of all Imported English Pure Wool Sweaters and Golf Coats in cashmere knit, fancy knit and brushed-wool; all popular colors; sizes for small, medium and large figures:

Regular \$19.50, reduced to \$14.95
Regular \$18.50, reduced to \$13.95
Regular \$16.50, reduced to \$11.95
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At the conclusion of the programme three lucky draws were held, prizes given for Mrs. McFay, Mrs. Harris, the matron, and Mr. Pollard. The majority of the gifts presented to the children were donated by local business firms and friends of the Orphanage. The following members of the ladies' committee assisted at yesterday's Christmas party: Mrs. McFay, Miss Hixson, McCulloch, Cameron, Hixson, Beard, Hammond, Sherwood, Jenkins, See, Lawthwaite, Brown and Miss Toimie.

Women's and Children's Flannelette Wear Specially Priced

Women's Flannelette Gowns, in high neck style with long sleeves; generous sizes. Special, \$1.49.
Women's Flannelette Gowns, slip-over style and lace-trimmed. Special, \$1.98.
Women's Flannelette Gowns, in V-neck and high neck styles; neatly trimmed. Special at \$2.49.
Women's Drawers and Bloomers, of strong flannelette; generous sizes. Regular \$3c for 6pc.

Women's O. S. Gowns, in high neck style. Regular \$2.50 for \$1.98.
Children's Gowns, of strong flannelette, in high neck and slip-over styles; ages 8 to 14 years. Special, 98c.
Children's Gowns, of strong flannelette; V-neck style and neatly trimmed; ages 8 to 14 years. Special, \$1.29.
Children's Flannelette Skirts, with bodice attached; ages 2 to 14 years. Special at 6c.

Corsets and Brassieres at Special Clearance Prices

La Diva Corset, a high-grade model suitable for stout figures; low and medium bust, heavily boned; made of strong white coutil, embroidery trimmed; sizes 25 to 36. Regular \$7.50, reduced to \$4.98.
High-Grade Matron's Corsets, with belted front and long hips; six hose supports; an ideal corset for women of full figure. Regular \$6.00 and \$6.50, reduced to \$3.98.
Goddess Front-Laced Corsets, of fancy pink material; models for the average figure, sizes 20 to 27; regular \$5.00 for \$3.98.
A High-Grade Corset, for the slender figure, made of fancy pink taffeta, with elastic at waist; low bust and deep hip; sizes 22 to 26. A bargain at \$3.98.
Well-Fitting Corsets, in full bust style, with long skirt and four hose supports; sizes 23 to 28. Very special at \$1.98.
A Selection of D & A Corsets, in medium bust styles, suitable for the average figure; sizes 20 to 26. A snap, \$1.50.
Odd Lines of Corsets, in low, medium and high bust styles; some with elastic at waist, others with elastic side pieces; pink and white; several styles. Clearing price, \$1.98.

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Specials for Today's Selling

English Wool Hose

Regular \$1.50. Special at 98c

Women's Pure Wool English Hose, in black and brown; a fine quality hose, in sizes 8 1/2 to 10. Reg. \$1.50. Special, today, pair, .98c.

Women's Knit Vests

Values to \$1.50. Special at 98c

Harvey's and Watson's, well-known qualities in several styles. Values to \$1.50. Special, today, 98c.

Specials in Staple Goods

29-inch Scotch Winery, in an excellent weave, which will give the best of wear; these come in neat check designs suitable for pajamas and children's wear. Original value \$1.00. Special, per yard, 39c

30 and 32-inch Striped Flannelette, in a good stout quality, which will give splendid wear. Reduced from 50c. Special, per yard, 27c

Handkerchiefs

Regular to 35c. Special, 2 for 25c

An odd lot of Handkerchiefs, in colored lawn and white with embroidered corners; also Irish Linen Initialed Handkerchiefs. Regular 19c to 35c. Special at, 2 for 25c.

Wool Scarves

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Attractive Wool Scarves, in fancy knit and brushed wool. Regular \$1.50, reduced to 98c.



ESTABLISHED 1845

Ladies' Spats, a bargain, pair **\$1.65**
 Ladies' Trench Boots, pair **\$8.50**
 Child's Welled Slippers, a pair **\$1.95**
 Girls' Boots, sizes 11 to 2; a pair **\$2.95**
 Men's Work Boots, black and tan, a pair **\$4.95**

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CAR SERVICE IS READY FOR CHANGE

B.C. Electric Completes Preparations for New Rule of Road Enforcement—Normal Service Promised

"So far as is mechanically possible, we have everything ready for the change in the rule of the road," said Mr. G. M. Tripp, general superintendent of the B.C. Electric Railway, yesterday.

"Although we have been very busy for the past several months getting our preparations completed to the actual point where the change must be definitely made, and have had some hundred additional skilled mechanics working on the alterations to the rolling stock, yet there is a phase of the work which cannot be done until the actual reversal of traffic takes place.

"When the cars begin to come into the sheds on the evening of Saturday, December 31, is the time we shall experience the peak of our labor. Until then we can only go on making preparations, perfecting our plans and organization for dealing with the situation before us.

"As each car comes off the run on Saturday night it will be taken to the barns, where a gang of mechanics will be waiting to receive it and complete the finishing touches necessary for operation under the right-hand rule.

"This means that all temporary air-line, electric cables, etc., which have made it possible to operate the cars in a partially completed condition, will have to be removed, and the permanent connections installed in their place.

Everything Ready
 "Everything is lined up right to this last notch of the work. Every possible preparation has been made to ensure the work being carried out with the utmost precision, but even with all this preparation, and provided no snags are encountered, we shall not have sufficient cars completed and ready for service under the right-hand rule by 9 o'clock Sunday morning, when the change in the service will be rather limited for the first hour or so.

"The mechanics will work on the cars throughout Sunday, and as quickly as cars are completed and tested it will be sent out on the streets, so that before the end of the

day we shall have a service near normal in point of number of cars operating.

"It will still be necessary to operate a few cars with the seats facing backwards for several days after the change, but these will be taken into the shops and completed as fast as we can handle them.

"There are a number of double-ended cars which have not yet been converted. These cars will be used for temporary right-hand operation, and will be changed as soon as possible to conform with the new rule of the road.

"Our main endeavor at the present time is to keep things moving and provide the best service we possibly can, and although we may be obliged to resort to makeshifts which may seem strange to our patrons, I am sure they will make allowances and appreciate the exceptional difficulties we are facing, realizing we are doing everything humanly possible under the circumstances.

Must Alter Switches
 "With regard to the track and overhead trolley, there is still a considerable amount of work to be done—switches to be changed, points to be reset, cross-overs to be changed, etc., but we are in a position to operate under the right-hand rule at the present time, and the balance of the work, which will be of a permanent nature, will be carried out as expeditiously as possible. Some of the work cannot be completed until special parts, which had to be made, are delivered from the makers. We have practically doubled our track staff, and the work is proceeding smoothly and satisfactorily.

"Our running schedules are bound to be erratic for several days, until everybody has become somewhat accustomed to the altered traffic conditions. We have issued instructions to all employees to put safety before all considerations of speed and convenience of schedules. If everybody will do their bit by exercising every precaution for their own safety and the safety of others, I believe the change will be accomplished without accident or untoward incident of any kind.

"I would ask the sympathetic and thoughtful consideration of not only our street car patrons, but of all who have occasion to use the streets, in helping to bring about a complete immunity to life and limb during the transition of traffic."

CITY HALL CHANGES BEING CONSIDERED

Mayor-Elect Marchant and New Council Working on Programme to Improve Accommodation

One of the first jobs that the new City Council will tackle is the remodeling of the City Hall. It was intimated yesterday by Mayor-elect William Marchant, who will take office next week.

Mr. Marchant, as well as a special committee of the 1922 Council, composed of Aldermen Todd and Alderman Lincoln, have investigated present conditions in the City Hall and have drawn up a tentative programme, which, it is maintained, will not be costly.

One feature of the programme involves the utilization of the old jail building fronting on Cormorant Street. This has long been out of use, but Mr. Marchant said yesterday that he believed it would be converted into suitable quarters for the waterworks department. Some time ago an estimate was made of the cost of making the necessary alterations to that section of the City Hall structure, but there were no developments.

Expire "Black Hole"

What Mr. Marchant is determined to have is satisfactory quarters for committee rooms. This is something at present lacking in the City Hall, as the room formerly used for that purpose is now occupied by the City Street Bridge draughtsmen. The office formerly occupied by Victoria's mayors to the left of the main entrance, familiarly known as "The Black Hole," is useless and cannot be satisfactorily converted into anything other than what it is now—a museum for ancient records of little value and worthless furniture. The investigating committee found that most of the plaster has fallen from one of the walls, and there is a mysterious dampness about the floor, the whole atmosphere of the place being more suggestive of a mediaeval dungeon than of the official headquarters of the first citizen. When Ald. Todd was mayor he often complained of his quarters, and finally persuaded the Council to authorize the change resulting in the provision of fairly satisfactory accommodation for the Mayor at the Pandora-Government Street corner. Ald. Todd has not changed his mind about "The Black Hole" since then, and he is likely to fight strenuously against any attempt to make use of the place.

New Paint Building
 Mr. Marchant stated that a coat of new paint both on the inside and outside of the City Hall would do a lot of good, but he pointed out that the only changes made at present would be purely in the interests of greater efficiency and not of luxury. For that reason the painting programme may be sidetracked for the present. Extensive repair work is likely to be carried out, however. Only a few days ago, for no apparent cause, the wallpaper in City Clerk E. W. Broadbent's office broke away from the ceiling to the accompaniment of a resounding report like an explosion. This and numerous other causes of damage will probably be dealt with under an early appropriation from the new Council.

It is possible that the rooms at present used by the waterworks department will be subdivided and used partly for committee sessions.

Westworth Recount

HAMILTON, Ont., Dec. 29.—When C. F. Woodley, Farmer-Labor candidate in Westworth, applied for a recount, he charged that the ballots at Division 4, West Flamboro, had been counted carelessly. They were examined yesterday, but the deputy returning officer's count was sustained.

New term at Sproul-Brown School

January 1. Day and evening classes. See classified advt. "Educational" for courses, and send for syllabus. New Weller Building.

URGENT RETURNED MEN TO DELAY VOTING

Amalgamated Veterans Want the Disposition of Canteen Funds Publicly Discussed Before Recording Opinions

The Amalgamated Veterans' Association went on record at its last meeting urging all returned men to delay voting on the disposal of the canteen funds until the various propositions for the disposition of the moneys have been fully discussed in the respective ex-service organizations and in the public press. The meeting considered that the suggestion offered on the questionnaire on the canteen funds for the establishment of sheltered workshops for disabled and tubercular cases requiring special consideration was a necessary part of what full and complete re-establishment to which the disabled comrades are entitled.

Comrade H. W. Hart presided over the gathering of two hundred members. A communication from the Canadian Legion pointing out that the Tin Hat Review, a veterans' paper of Toronto, was not the official organ of that organization, was read.

Work on Drydock

At a recent meeting the unemployment committee of the association was instructed to investigate complaints made by men working on the new drydock at Esquimalt as common laborers that, although they work much longer than eight hours a day on many occasions, they receive no extra remuneration for overtime labor. A letter had also been sent by the secretary to Fair Wage Officer Bulger asking him to take up with contractors the possibility of paying all men, whether organized or not, who work over eight hours, or on Sundays and holidays, the same rates for overtime work as men in recognized unions are to receive. The committee reported that the matter was being looked into and that an interview with Mr. Bulger was being arranged.

Comrades Reginald Hayward and R. P. Clark informed the meeting that they had interviewed a number of business houses and clubs in the city and received assurance from some of these that an honest effort is being made to replace Orientals by white workers wherever possible. The comrades were instructed to continue their good work.

To Investigate Complaints
 The secretary was instructed to write the proper authorities at Ottawa urging that provision be made by the Dominion government to pay men engaged on special work, such as elections, when the work has been completed instead of several months later, and that complaints of patients in the hospitals not getting their pay allowance regularly be investigated and the matter remedied.

On the motion of Comrade Knott, the following resolution was approved: "That the unemployment committee be instructed to appeal to business men in connection with the employment of several members of one family while other families at the same time cannot secure employment for any of their members."

The sick committee reported that through the foresight of the disbanded G. W. V. A. and the Amalgamated Veterans' Association, seventy-five parcels of smoked and canned goods were distributed to ex-service patients in the local hospitals on Christmas Day. A report on the relief work that the organization is carrying on was given by Secretary Thorpe, who stated that over fifty families were assisted at Christmas and that letters of thanks from such parties were being received at his office.

Will Hold Social Gathering
 The gathering decided to hold a social for the members on Wednesday, January 5, when the members will be asked to bring provisions and hampers will be made for the unemployed ex-service men. The affair will be a get-together social, and a strong committee composed of Comrades Fletcher, Wallis, Dobbie, Garnet, Edwards and Martin was appointed to co-operate with the Ladies' Auxiliary in making arrangements for the evening.

The standing committees of the association were chosen as follows: Finance, Comrades Twigg, McLaggan and Schaff; publication, Comrades Christian and Barron; membership, Comrades J. Jones and B. H. Garnet; investigation, Comrades Allen and Knott; pensions, Comrades J. Mooney and Weir; sick, Comrades J. Stewart and Wallis; ways and means, Comrades R. P. Clark, C. O. Allen and H. Gillespie; benevolent, Comrades Blincliffe, Clark, Weaver, and Gill; naval, Comrades Hutchinson and Berry.

It was pointed out that all ex-service men can register for employment at the organization's office, 127-128 Pemberton Building. Any persons wishing men to do any description of work may obtain same if they phone the secretary, Mr. Thorpe, phone 5288.

COUNCIL ABANDONS NEW YEAR RECEPTION
 The new City Council will not hold a New Year's reception at the City Hall next Monday, as previously proposed, Mayor-elect Marchant stated yesterday.

By abandoning the original intention the new Council is following the precedent set by the Provincial Government, which decided to give to charity the amount that would have been spent on the customary New Year's entertainment.

CANADIAN DOLLAR FALLS BACK SLIGHTLY
 NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The Canadian dollar lost a fraction of its recent gain in the New York market this morning, the discount on Canadian money being quoted at 5 1/2 per cent, an increase of 1/4 over yesterday's quotation.

The slight unfavorable move was due to the general trend of the foreign exchange market, following a drop of ten points in the value of Italian money here.

January Sale Continues



Suits at Drastic Reductions

Smartly Tailored Suits of tweed, serge and tricotine. Values formerly priced to \$59.50 are presented in two groups for January Sale.

\$27.50 and \$22.50

Beautifully Embroidered Suits of tricotine and velour, in the popular shades. A few with collars of French seal. Values to \$65.00.

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Exceptionally Smart Gowns of satin, taffeta and Georgette, provided in a range of the smartest shades. Values to \$39.50.

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Ladies' Boudoir Slippers, at, pair **\$1.50**
 Ladies' Felt Comfy Slippers, at, pair **\$1.50**
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Staples Department Sale Provides Many Remarkable Bargains

The economical housewife will take note of the shortage in her linen supply and come prepared to fill every requirement at the money-saving prices this staple goods clearance provides.

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Best English manufacture, and warranted superior quality.

Size 18 x 36. Regular 75c. Sale price **49¢**

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Red or blue check, all linen quality; 24 inches wide. Regular 75c to \$1.25 per yard. Sale prices 75c and **65¢**

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All linen, Scotch Crash Toweling, 15, 16 and 18 inches wide. Regular 65c per yard. Sale price **35¢**



Blanket Specials

Large double bed size Union Blankets, a few sample pairs in slightly counter milled condition. Regular \$26.99 a pair. Sale price **\$8.00**

13 pairs only. "Raidon" Pure Wool Scotch Blankets, size 70 x 90 inches, weight 9 pounds. Regular \$18.99 a pair. Sale price **\$10.50**

HUCK TOWELS

Best quality cotton, very durable.

Size 18 x 34. Regular 65c. Sale price **45¢**

Size 18 x 36. Regular 75c. Sale price **49¢**

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LINEN HUCK TOWELS

Size 18 x 36. Regular \$1.50. Sale price **95¢**

Size 20 x 40. Regular \$1.75. Sale price **\$1.15**

Size 20 x 42. Regular \$2.50. Sale price **\$1.85**

SHEETING

Best English and Canadian makes.

63 inches wide. Regular 75c. Sale price **50¢**

72 inches wide. Regular 95c. Sale price **60¢**

72 inches wide. Regular \$1.25. Sale price **75¢**

Chief Game Warden Goes Against Baker

Evidence of Inspector Hird Occupies Entire Session of Game Board Inquiry Yesterday—He Charges Suspended Chairman With Many Illegal and Corrupt Practices

Chief Game Inspector J. A. Hird took the witness stand yesterday at the inquiry by Royal Commission into the charges against Dr. A. R. Baker, suspended chairman of the Game Conservation Board, held all day, and was still under examination when adjournment was taken until this morning. He specifically supported a number of the charges made by Mr. H. B. Foster, M.P.P., against his chief, including those of using the board's motor cars and launches for private purposes, of wasting public funds, of wrongfully hiring and dismissing men, of dealing in beaver skins during the close season, and of private fur trading for his own profit.

Mr. W. G. Moreby, counsel for Mr. Hird, conducted the examination of his client. This morning, Mr. Dugald Donaghy, representing Dr. Baker; Mr. H. W. Moore, on behalf of Mr. Foster, and Mr. E. C. Shaw, representing the Government at the inquiry, will take up the cross-examination of a witness who has proved himself, as far as the inquiry has proceeded, to be most amply prepared with definite and specific evidence in support of the charges.

Messrs. W. J. Bowser, K.C., M.P.P.; H. H. Foster, M.P.P.; M. B. Jackson, K.C., M.P.P., and Superintendent Wm. O. McMyinn, of the Provincial police, all of whom gave evidence before the commission last Wednesday, yesterday in the County Court room, where the inquiry is being held.

Had Kept Close Watch
Mr. Hird, whose evidence showed that for many months past he had been keeping a close watch on the doings of Dr. Baker, and who testified that he reported them to Premier Oliver, Attorney-General Harris, and Superintendent McMyinn, opened his evidence by saying that a memorandum book, containing notes on the proceedings of the inquiry disappeared during the last session of it held in Vancouver, on December 10 last. He used the book on that occasion, he said; and it disappeared between the counsel's table and the door of the court room. He was armed with diaries and official documents yesterday, however, in such quantity as was needed to prove the loss of the memoranda a matter of small account.

Mr. Hird said that he was first appointed as game warden in 1912, he served with the Canadian forces overseas during the war, returned home in 1917, resumed his position, and became chief game inspector in August, 1920. He was succeeded by Superintendent McMyinn last November, following the suspension of Dr. Baker. The reason given for his own suspension was that he had been found guilty of the charge of using the board's motor cars for his own private pleasure on Pitt Lake. Dr. Baker also used government motor cars for his own fishing and hunting trips, charged Mr. Hird, who gave the dates and occasions when, as he alleged, Dr. Baker used the cars for his own family. On one occasion, said Mr. Hird, Dr. Baker took a car for his own use, and it became necessary for the game warden to hire a car for the work. This went on all last summer, Mr. Hird declared.

Mr. Hird charged that many Government-owned pheasants were put on Amnicks Island, which was public domain, and where Dr. Baker did his shooting; at the same time as, by Dr. Baker's orders, the public were kept off the island. Many complaints reached the game warden as to this. Wanting of public funds by Dr. Baker was alleged by Mr. Hird, particularly in respect of the launch, bought for the sum of \$2,000, after it had been condemned for police use. This launch cost \$1,628 for repairs after it was acquired by the Game Board, said witness. A worthless engine was put into it, but a new engine was paid for out of public funds, Dr. Baker was solely responsible for this, according to Mr. Hird.

Wrongful Dismissals
Mr. Hird supported, with many particulars, the charge against Dr. Baker of wrongfully hiring and dismissing men. The witness knew of a gang of men, hired by Dr. Baker, who just walked the streets of Vancouver. One of them was told by Dr. Baker to stay at home, and this man drew pay from the board for a month. A long list of names of men employed in this way in Vancouver and Victoria included those of Perry, Jones and Wilson. In this city, these men were put to work when W. J. Walker, who complains of wrongful dismissal, was discharged on the plea that the force must be reduced. These men, said Mr. Hird, although nominally under his direction, took no orders from him; and as far as he could ever see, they did no useful work.

Mr. Hird said that he was not responsible for W. J. Walker's dismissal; and in his opinion, the discharged game warden had had a "raw deal" from Dr. Baker.

The case of H. Walker, game warden at Prince Rupert, was another instance of unjust dismissal, in the opinion of Mr. Hird. Mr. Walker was brought to Vancouver, and kept running to and fro for a month. The witness believed that Walker was only sent rid of by Baker to make room for another man.

Two witnesses, Taylor and Brush, reported to Hird that they were paid in cash, contrary to the rules of the board. No vouchers were put through the office in respect of their pay.

The Rifle Incident
It was reported to him by one

Stark, said witness, that a rifle belonging to the game department was sold to a Dr. Wright by Dr. Baker for \$65. When Hird investigated the report, he was told by Secretary Butler that Baker had paid that sum to the board for the rifle.

On April 15 last a voucher for a new motor car was put through the department accounts, said Mr. Hird. That car, alleged witness, was driven to Bellingham, U.S.A., by Dr. Baker's son. The car was running around Bellingham full of women, said Mr. Hird; and the doctor's son was in receipt of pay as an employee of the game board.

Mr. Moreby read extracts from an exhaustive report as to game conditions in the interior, made by Mr. Hird, following a trip to the Cariboo district in July last. Mr. Hird found the lakes were drying up, because, in his opinion, the beaver had been illegally trapped, and their dams blown up. He found wholesale slaughtering of game by the Indians; and he recommended the establishment of a preserve in that country. This report was supplemented by later ones, in which the serious state of the game situation in the North country was fully described. There was lack of co-operation among the game wardens; there was much illicit fur trading; and the natural game preserves were becoming depleted as a result of all this failure to enforce the provisions of the game laws.

Mr. Moreby explained that he was introducing this evidence to show that Mr. Hird had kept the game board fully advised as to the situation in the interior.

Hird Was in Way
Mr. Hird said that, following his July trip, Baker wanted him to go up-country again. Hird could see no necessity for the proposed journey; but as it seemed that Baker was determined to get him out of the way, he ceased his objections, and went north again.

Detailing his observations made during the July trip, Mr. Hird said that he found Game Wardens Dawson, McIntosh and Clark in the town of Quenel. In the same place were Gescheit and Fitzpatrick, fur dealers, of Vancouver. He found that Johnny Barker, of Hooten Lake, was trading in furs with a permit. Baker came to Quenel while Hird was there; and as soon as Hird began to stir up things about Johnny Barker, Baker gave orders to Hird to go into the Hooten Lake country, carrying a permit for Barker.

The witness said that he was "sore" when Hird was sent to Quenel, who had both been prosecuted under the game laws, had been given preference as fur buyers at Williams Lake over legitimate traders, and found that Fitzpatrick was using a secret code.

Mr. Hird said that he had complained of all these things to Dr. Baker. He found when he got to Williams Lake that Baker was the centre of interest. The doctor was drinking and betting; but he "took a back seat" as soon as the witness made his appearance.

Mr. Bowser Wants to Know
On his return to Vancouver, said Mr. Hird, he washed his hands of the whole business. He saw that beaver skins, even skins taken in the close season, were coming into the office of the game board right along. He reported all these things to his superior, to Superintendent McMyinn, on July 24; to Attorney-General Harris on October 1, and to Premier Oliver on October 3.

A lighter touch was given to Mr. Hird's recital when he told of his meeting with Mr. Bowser, near the Vancouver postoffice, on his return from the Cariboo trip. Mr. Bowser tried all his arts to get information out of Hird; but the witness had refused it.

Mr. Hird wanted to know if it was Mr. Bowser who had been told by an American hunter that Baker and Hird, between them, had cleaned up \$20,000 out of illicit fur trading. Mr. Bowser had disclaimed all knowledge of any reference to Mr. Hird in that interesting story.

The witness said that he knew that Dr. Baker had made \$100 by a private deal in marten skins. Baker bought the skins for \$150 from one, Little. He sold them for \$250. "This is how I make \$100," Baker told me I picked out the skins for him, but I did not see any of the \$100," said Mr. Hird, amid laughter, in which the patient commissioner was pleased to join.

"Baker had no licence to trade in furs," added Mr. Hird.

A Fur Expert
More of Dr. Baker's alleged private fur deals were detailed by the witness. Baker bought weasel skins for 50 cents apiece and sold them to Vancouver dealers, charged Hird. Baker also sold \$150 worth of mink skins in Vancouver, according to the witness.

"And at that," said Mr. Hird, while another chance to smile was afforded him by the long-suffering commissioner. "Baker didn't know a marten from a mink."

Mr. Donaghy—That's another thing you've sworn to, you know.

Mr. Hird—Well, Baker admitted some extra fine marten skins in my presence; and I was able to show him that all his martens were mink. Mr. Hird said that he had been found by Dr. Baker from procuring many individuals for contraventions of the Game Act. Among the instances cited was that of the Vancouver Hotel, where Hird found pheasants being served at dinner. Hird wanted to prosecute, but was stopped by Baker, he testified. The witness enumerated a long list of cases where informants had actually been sworn to, but in which the prosecutions had been stopped by order of Dr. Baker.

The examination of Mr. Hird will be continued here today. It is not expected that further witnesses will be called in this city, and if, as it is at present hoped, the evidence of Mr. Hird can be finished by this evening, the commission will adjourn tomorrow in Vancouver next Thursday. It is not yet certain whether or not it will be necessary to hold further sessions later on in Victoria.

ALDERMANIC MINDS ARE WANDERING

Retiring Councilmen Find It Hard to Think in Terms of City's Business as End of Year Approaches

What will Mayor Porter and the retiring aldermen of the 1921 Council do when Mayor-Elect William Marchant and his newly-elected colleagues take their places?

This query, heard often in the City Hall these days, was partially answered yesterday when Mayor Porter announced that he had completed his plans for an extended duck-shooting trip along the Lower Fraser.

"I'll wait until the weather gets more settled and then start," the Mayor announced, as he stripped the tables in his office of papers and other articles that have accumulated during his three terms as the city's chief magistrate. "There is no use shooting ducks when the weather is like this. Too much wind keeps them out of sight."

Into the waste paper baskets were hurled countless documents considered valueless now. He picked out a few papers as souvenirs and tucked them into a small valise. One of the papers so honored was the verbatim report of the first Hall-North meeting.

"I'll probably go as far as Ladner," the Mayor resumed. "The ducks are usually pretty plentiful around there. If you can't get them there, you might as well stay home."

All of which would indicate that the Mayor is thinking more about duck-shooting at present than municipal politics.

Going Back to Farm
Ald. George Sangster's interests are now about evenly divided between the work stacked up before him in connection with the B. C. Agricultural Association, of which he is still the secretary, and his hundred-acre farm in Skanich. He is still the busiest alderman around the City Hall, but his heart wanders to the country oftener than it did a week or so ago. He keeps the Christmas holly strings brushed, and says there is plenty to keep him occupied on his farm without worrying about the city's business.

Someone gave Ald. Sangster the key to his desk in the Council Chamber yesterday morning and he promptly littered the floor with the contents, and wrote his name on the top for the sake of tradition. It was the first time that he had opened the desk for two years.

Ald. E. B. Anderson, this year's pilot of the Finance Committee, will do most of his navigating next year on Brentwood Bay, where he has a beautiful summer estate. He intends to divide his time about equally between the city and Brentwood.

Find Life Strange
Aldermen W. F. Fullerton and Robert Dinsdale, veterans in aldermanic service, will find life rather strange without Council meetings to attend. Ald. Fullerton was a member of the Council for sixteen years. They expect to devote more time to their private affairs next year, both being contractors.

Aldermen W. J. Sargent and A. M. Alt—The latter retired voluntarily—will be able to give their full time to their insurance business.

Mayor Porter announced that no further meetings of the Council will be held this year. Not even a committee will meet. As a valdictory affair, last Monday's meeting was genuine, although Ald. John Harvey has been making a strenuous fight to have a special meeting called to authorize appropriations for the Navy League and the amusement centre expenses.

Ald. Harvey was told yesterday that the matters should have been brought before the Council at the last meeting, and that any efforts made now to get the Mayor and aldermen to meet again were bound to fail.

CHEMAINUS NOTES

CHEMAINUS, Dec. 28.—Last week the 88. San Antonio, the Canadian Farmer and the Australian 88. Wai-kawa all came in to load laths and lumber, the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company's mills. The motor ship Chile left on Wednesday for Japan. Besides lumber, she had 3,500 cedar logs on board, approximately one million feet. The mill is now closed down for general repairs.

Dr. Inglis, medical superintendent of Chemainus Hospital, will be leaving shortly. The hospital board is advertising for a doctor.

The beautiful set of aluminum ware which has been on show for the last few weeks in the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company's store was won by Mr. Charles Smith last Saturday night. The set was valued at \$25.

High north winds and very sharp frosts have prevailed for about ten days. Telephone and water systems have been out of commission, but a good thaw has now set in. There was a slight fall of snow on Tuesday night.

The services in the Church of St. Michael and All Angels were well attended on Christmas Day. The church was beautifully decorated with holly and evergreens by ladies of the congregation. The service in the evening was wholly choral and a number of carols were sung.

WHARVES REPAIRED
JAMES IRLAND, Dec. 28.—The float at the village wharf which was wrecked during the recent storm, was temporarily repaired last Saturday. On the same day the wharf at San-Elchion was also repaired by Government workmen.

Mr. J. Wright's launch, which was washed off the float at the village wharf a week ago, has been recovered by Mr. W. Brunell, of Nanaimo.

RUMORS ABOUT BANKS DENIED BY OFFICIALS
MONTREAL, Dec. 28.—Rumors reported to be current in Toronto financial circles today that the Royal Bank was to merge with the Montreal Bank were drawn to the attention of E. L. Pearce, vice-president of the former institution, and E. C. Pratt, general manager of the latter bank. Both Mr. Pearce and Mr. Pratt denied there was any truth in the rumor.



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Stylish Evening Gowns at \$45.00
In soft satins with dainty bodices; gold and silver straps over shoulder; finished at waist line with French flowers; skirts are draped and trimmed with net; in the season's newest colors of gold, rose, Bermuda, sapin and black. Styles to suit women and misses. Sizes 16 to 40. Special at, each..... **\$45.00**

Exclusive Model Evening Gowns From \$65.00 to \$150.00
In velvet, lace, tulle, French and New York models; long waisted styles; handsomely trimmed with deep fringe and gold tinsel; in the season's newest colors of carmine, black and gold, tomato, sapin blue, silver and black, orchid green and sky. Sizes to 42. **\$150.00**
Each, from \$65.00 to.....

Evening Fans and Requisites for the Ball
Large Two-Plume Ostrich Fans
Mounted on tortoise-shell handles; come in white, citron, blue and rose. Each..... **\$15.00**

Seven-Plumed Ostrich Fans
Spread design; mounted on ivory handle, come in Nile, rose, Copenhagen, white and green. Each..... **\$10.50**

Small Nine Plumed Spread Ostrich Fans
Mounted on ivory and ebony. Come in black, Copenhagen, white and flame. Each..... **\$10.00**

Evening Feather Bags
Mounted on ivory tops; come in mauve, pink and French blue. Each..... **\$25.00**

Dainty Debutantes' Fans
Hand painted or trimmed with sequins; mounted on ivory. Each, from..... **\$1.75 to \$2.50**
Main Floor

New Year's Gift Gloves
Long French Kid Gloves
In fourteen-button length; come in tan, brown, grey, white and black. Sizes 5 1/2 to 7. Per pair..... **\$5.75**

Long French Kid Gloves
In sixteen-button length; come in black and white only. Sizes 5 1/2 to 7. Per pair..... **\$6.95**

Heavy Silk-Lined Mocha Gloves
English made, with two dome fasteners; pique sewn. Come in tan and grey. Sizes 5 1/2 to 7. Per pair..... **\$5.75**

French Kid Gloves
Perrin's make; with two dome fasteners; assorted points; come in grey, brown, tan, black, white, mastic and heaver. Sizes 5 1/2 to 7 1/2. Per pair..... **\$3.75**
Main Floor

Savings on Groceries
Hudson's Bay Special Creamery Butter, per lb..... **46c**
3 lbs. for..... **\$1.35**
No. 1 Creamery Butter, lb..... **43c**
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Women's Wool Cashmere Hose
Very warm and comfortable; come in heather, moor and coaling mixtures. Sizes 8 1/2 to 10. Per pair..... **\$1.98**

Evening Wear Silk Hose
Of pure Italian silk; lovely shades of pink, white, gold, beige, taupe, platinum, silver and black. Sizes 8 1/2 to 10. Per pair..... **\$4.50**

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Plain shade, in a medium weight; a sock that will give long wear. Per pair..... **50c**

Men's Tweed Hats at \$1.95 Each
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English Moire Underskirts at \$2.98
In a soft quality of moire; shaped flounce trimmed with hemstitching and small knife pleated frill; elastic waist belt and side fastening. Come in rose, brown, paddy, aubergine and black. Regular \$3.50 each. Special for today's selling. **\$2.98**
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In good quality prints, in fancy stripes, light and dark colors; short waisted effect; trimmed with rick rack braid; pockets and tie sash. Each..... **69c**
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KINGSTON, Ont., Dec. 29.—Announcement is made from Newburg of the death of J. B. Aylesworth, 84, father of Sir Allen Aylesworth, of Toronto.

SPECIAL NEWS

WINE GLASSES in pretty etched pattern, 6 for \$1.75; whisky glasses, 6 for \$1.25; cognac glasses, 12 for \$2.00. R. A. Brown & Co., Corner Douglas and Johnson Streets.

New Zealand Buys in Britain LONDON, Dec. 29.—Premier W. F. Massey, of New Zealand, in an interview with Reuters' Wellington correspondent, stated that the Government had accepted tenders from British firms for 100,000 worth of hydro-electric plant for the Wellington district.

PREDICTS PROVINCIAL ELECTION NEXT YEAR

Senator Green Calls Upon City Conservatives to Be Prepared for Contest—Association Alters Its Constitution

Prediction that there will be a provincial election during the coming year, the announcement of which may be expected within the next three months, was made by Senator Robert F. Green at a special meeting of the Victoria Conservative Association held last evening for the purpose of considering certain amendments to the existing constitution whereby the old-time ward organizations were again provided for and the system of open nominating conventions altered to provide that such conventions should be composed of fifty delegates from each ward, together with the officers of the Association.

Senator Green referred to the resignation of Attorney-General Parry to the possibility that Hon. J. H. King, Provincial Minister of Public Works, will ultimately be appointed to the Federal Government to take the place of Senator Macdonald, named in yesterday's Federal Cabinet slate as Minister of Public Works, but who, he prophesied would shortly be appointed speaker of the Senate, leaving the Works portfolio open to the Provincial Minister; and he cited the fact that at least four by-elections will be necessary to fill the Provincial Cabinet vacancies and the new vacant seats of Nelson and Vancouver hitherto held by Dr. W. O. Rose and Mr. M. A. Macdonald respectively.

A General Election?

He declared that rather than face these by-elections the Provincial Government would decide that it was better to make another general appeal to the country, and he cautioned Conservatives to get to work at once and prepare for a contest. He cited the fact that some 5,000 Victoria electors are not on the Provincial voters' list, and that those who were placed on the recent Federal lists for the Federal contest did not thereby have their names reinstated on the Provincial list.

The Conservatives of the Province, Senator Green stated, would hold a convention this year, when the name of the National Liberal-Conservative would give place to the old name of Conservative and a movement started that would spread throughout Canada. Under the new amendments to the constitution, the existing executive committee of fifteen elected at large will be done away with, as also will the advisory council of twenty-five members. Each ward will organize, and elect its own chairman and secretary and executive, and hereafter the general executive will be composed of the five Association officials and six representatives elected by each ward. At nominating conventions each ward will name fifty delegates, who, with the central officers, will select candidates to run at elections. Other minor changes in the constitution necessitated by these amendments were also authorized.

Short speeches were also made by Mr. C. T. Cross, president of the local National Liberal and Conservative Association in the recent Federal campaign, and by Canon Hinchliffe, Conservative member for Victoria in the Provincial Legislature.

Treasury Benefits

Canon Hinchliffe referred to his efforts during the past year to get

into touch with the various municipal bodies throughout the Province to the end that he might become posted as to the municipal problems, especially in view of the fact that the recent session of the Legislature had been summoned to deal specifically with the question of aid to the municipalities. It had always been his belief, he stated, that the occasional indemnity paid members was not in the nature of a salary, but rather intended to permit the members to properly study conditions and fit themselves for their seasonal duties. With that idea in mind he had devoted his indemnity to expenditures for traveling over the Province, and, having in mind the so-called "salary grab," he had, on the opening day of the recent Fall session, placed a cheque for \$441, which remained of his indemnity, in the hands of his agent. After the deduction of the income tax which is levied on the seasonal indemnity, the remainder, he stated, would be handed back to the Provincial treasury; in other words, the \$400 indemnity granted to him as a member at the Spring session would be returned.

Canon Hinchliffe referred to the resignation of Attorney-General Parry and the resignation of Hon. J. H. King going to Ottawa, as evidence that the reform was deserting the ship, and the likelihood of a general election during the coming year. In view of the political possibilities, he urged members of the Association to work hard to the end that every Conservative should be placed upon the voters' list.

Major Gus. Lyons, D.S.O., M.C., president of the Association, occupied the chair and spoke briefly upon the necessity for complete organization. The meeting was well attended. It is probable that the annual meeting of the Conservative Association will be held within the next two or three weeks, the constitution being changed last night to bring it in the month of January rather than in February, as heretofore.

ESQUIMALT CLUB

HONORS SAILORS

Petty Officers and Men of H.M.S. Raleigh Enjoyed Hospitality of Sailors' Club During Sojourn Here

The Sailors' Club, Esquimalt, was an "open house" for the officers and men of the H.M.S. Raleigh during the recent two weeks' sojourn of the flagship in Esquimalt Harbour. Between 150 and 200 sailors made the club premises their headquarters every day the ship was in port, and when leaving for Vancouver on Tuesday, they expressed their sincere appreciation for the warmth and genuineness of the hospitality which they had received.

Many of the bluejackets told the officials of the club that when in Montreal they had obtained everything that they needed, but that their treatment in Victoria and Esquimalt was far more comfortable than in Eastern Canada. A number of the Raleigh officers were heard to remark that there was never a town on the coast so well cared for as Esquimalt. The Esquimalt Sailors' Club was in complete in every way.

The policy of the club was to make the sailors feel perfectly at home, and judging by the thanks which were extended by the boys themselves, the reception accorded the naval men was highly appreciated. During their stay at Esquimalt, no less than five dances were held in their honor, each one of which proved a great success. An orchestra was present on each occasion, while refreshments were served at each affair.

There are only forty beds in the Sailors' Club, but almost every night over 100 bluejackets were housed there. The main hall of the club was turned into a sleeping apartment in the evenings. No less than 500 beds were paid for at the small charge of 25 cents, and there was, in addition, almost 600 free shakedown.

Mrs. Ranns, who is better known to naval men on the Pacific Coast as "Mother Ranns," was in full charge of the arrangements for the boys' reception at the club, and to her must be given great credit for the enjoyable time that the sailors had while on the island. The following committee of the Sailors' Club also worked energetically to give the petty officers and men a good time: Commander and Mrs. Clarke, Reeve Alex. Lockley, Mr. R. H. Pooley, M.P.P., Miss Alice Pooley, Mrs. Sidney H. Bowden, Mrs. A. Thomson, Miss Baugh-Allen, Mrs. Robert Lang and Mr. Izard.

ITALIAN BANK HAS SUSPENDED PAYMENT

ROME, Dec. 29.—The Banca Italiana Di sconto closed its doors this morning, following the announcement by the Government of a modified moratorium permitting the suspension of payments of the obligations of certain corporations through court decree. The bank, profiting by the announcement, suspended payments pending court proceedings.

The branches of the bank have been closed throughout Italy. Its premises here were under police protection today, with numbers of its customers gathered outside. NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The Italian Discount and Trust Company, Broadway, New York, correspondent of the Banca Italiana Di sconto, of Rome, which has been closed, also closed its doors today following a run.

NEW YORK BANDITS TAKE TOLL OF LIFE

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Five killed and four seriously wounded was the toll of the last five days' robberies in New York City, which today set police and district attorneys' offices hard at work to prove their oft-repeated assertion that there has been no crime wave this year. Today, however, the bandits were up and at work again bright and early. Three young men missed securing \$2,000 when they held up a restaurant at 41st Street and Broadway early today.

PEARL RIVER, N.Y., Dec. 29.—Four bandits shot and killed the assistant cashier and a clerk of the First National Bank here today and

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escaped in an automobile after wounding a railroad guard. It was not known whether they obtained any loot.

HAWARDEN, Ia., Dec. 29.—An attempt last night by a lone bandit to hold up passengers of a northbound Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul train here was balked by Alice Porter, a brakeman, who grappled with the robber as the latter was searching the porter's pockets for valuables. The would-be holdup made his escape after forcing a passenger to pull the bell cord and stop the train.

INVESTIGATE RETAIL PRICES IN SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Dec. 29.—Investigation of retail prices in Seattle was begun today by a corps of federal agents, detailed by Fred W. Kelley, head of the Department of Justice bureau of investigation here, following receipt of orders from Washington, D.C., yesterday. The report of the investigators, which is to be completed within ten days, will not be made public here, Mr. Kelley said.

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THREE WOULD BE WARD COUNCILLOR

Councillor Brooks, Mr. S. J. Holland and Dr. Whitehouse Nominated at Ward Six Meeting

At a special meeting of the Ward Six Ratepayers' Association on Wednesday evening in the Temperance Hall, Kestling, Councillor Brooks, Mr. S. J. Holland and Dr. Whitehouse were nominated as candidates for the ward councillorship and agreed to stand. No vote was taken on the three men. Each candidate briefly addressed the meeting.

A letter was received from the Ward Five Ratepayers' Association

asking that the Ward Six organization support Trustees Holloway, Oldfield and Hull, who are standing for re-election to the School Board. The endorsement of the meeting was given.

There was no endorsement of candidates for re-election of the police commission vacancy. Mr. H. E. Tannor, president of the association, presided at the meeting.

Councillor Brooks stated last night that while he had not desired to stand for another term, his supporters had so strongly urged him to that he would do so.

An epidemic of journalism is spreading at Vassar College; 110 girl students are competing for places on the staff of the college paper.

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The Daily British Colonist of December 29, 1871.)

First Local Legislature—The official returns of the elections in all the districts have been received and are as follows: Victoria City—John P. McLaughlin, James Trimble, Robert Heaven, Simon Duck, Victoria District—James McLaughlin, Arthur Bonney, Corbushan, Hamilton District—John Booth, Esquimalt District—A. R. Robertson, Henry Ogden, Nanaimo District—John Booth, Comox District—John Ash, New Westminster City—Henry Booth, New Westminster District—Charles J. Hughes, Wm. J. Armstrong, Yale District—Robert Smith, James Robertson, Charles Smith, Lillooet District—Thomas Humphreys, J. Jamieson, Charles Dickson—George A. Wilson, Joseph Hunter, Carleton Place—John A. Mure, Charles Todd (probably).

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Cumberland Plays Mets
And Wests This WeekCUMBERLAND TEAMS
BUSY WEEK-ENDUp-Island Soccer Experts Will
Play Wests Here on Satur-
day, and Will Meet the Mets
on Monday

There will be all kinds of soccer in Victoria this week-end. In addition to the games in the Combination League on Saturday and the benefit match to be staged for the unemployed on Monday, the Cumberland League picked team and the V.D.F.A. stars, there will be two games played here in the Island League series. Cumberland are coming down to meet the Wests at the Royal Athletic Park on Saturday afternoon at 2:30, with Paulsen as referee of the game, and while here are going to make a week-end of it and will stay over until Monday to play the Metropolis. This game will be staged at the Royal Athletic Park, kick-off at 10:45 a.m.

The other Island League games down for decision tomorrow are Metropolis vs. Ladysmith at Ladysmith, and South Wellington vs. Vainalmo at South Wellington.

There are also two Wednesday League games to be played on Monday. These will be played in the morning, kick-off in each case at 10 a.m. Spencers are drawn against the Garrison at Beacon Hill, referee Jayne, and Kirkham play Wellers at Central Park, referee Brown.

The unemployed benefit game is to take place at the Royal Athletic Park at 2:30 on Monday, with Brown handling the whistle, and the team to represent the Wednesday League will be composed of the following players: Peden (Clerks), Clark (Clerks), Thompson (Clerks), and Ward (Spencers); Patterson (Clerks), Caskie (Spencers), T. Peden (Clerks), Paldy (Kirkhams), and Robinson (Spencers); reserves, Jellman (Wellers), J. Hall (Wellers), and J. Clark (Clerks). Managers, Ferrier.

CHINESE LIGHTWEIGHT
BEATS BILL BRENNANDick Won Won Decision in
Bout Announced for Ama-
teur Lightweight Champion-
ship of Province

VANCOUVER, Dec. 29.—Dick Won, Chinese lightweight, was given the decision over Bill Brennan in the feature bout of the Cavalry Athletic Club show last night. The mizup was announced to be for the B.C. amateur lightweight championship. Little damage was done on either side. Won was more active on his feet and had Brennan swinging all through, with the result that Brennan landed few blows. Won, on the other hand, did not show much aggressiveness, but as he landed often, earned the decision.

When Walter Horu failed to appear for his bout with George Castle, a lad by the name of Alsworth was substituted. Alsworth made such a good showing that when the judges gave the battle to Castle the crowd received the decision with a yell.

Tom Sullivan was referee and the judges were Tom King and George Morrow. King was introduced as a middleweight champion of Australia and as willing to meet any middleweight in British Columbia.

The only near knockout of the evening occurred in the bout between Al McKinnon, of the Collingwood Athletic Club, and Harry Hendy. The slow-moving Hendy proved an easy target for McKinnon, who landed out when the referee stopped the affair in the second round.

Two boys, Hammond and Roche, boxed a three-round exhibition. It was announced that another show would be held next week.

The result: Dick Won got decision over Billy Brennan, three rounds.

Ed. Storey beat Billie McGee, three rounds, 65 pounds.

George Castle, decision over Alsworth, three rounds, 70 pounds.

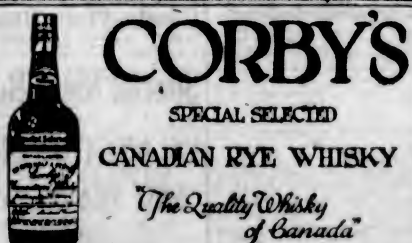
Al McKinnon stopped Harry Hendy in second round, 145 pounds.

Chief Storey and Jerry Barry, three rounds to a draw, 45 pounds.

Jake Neuman beat Ernie Barr, three rounds, 135 pounds.

Tom McKelch and Jack Lewis, three rounds to a draw, 55 pounds.

To assist the British Meteorological Office in making weather forecasts, a staff of observers has been stationed on the island of Jan Mayen, 500 miles off Greenland. They will send reports by wireless.



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SPORTING NEWS

Johnny Wilson Trying
For Match With Georges

COBBLE HILL BASKETBALL

COBBLE HILL, Dec. 28.—A very interesting basketball game was played in the hall on Tuesday evening between the Duncan Seniors and the Island Wanderers. The teams proved to be well matched, although until the close of the first half of the game the advantage lay very much with the Duncan team. The Wanderers scored twice in rapid succession and then started to reduce Duncan's lead, and during the last ten minutes play the score remained so even that a draw seemed possible. The Duncan team, however, got the better of a very hard struggle, the score finishing 30 to 25 in their favor.

The Duncan Seniors were: Forwards, P. Forest and B. McNeil; centre, A. Diron; guards, V. Parfitt and A. Evans. The Island Wanderers: Forwards, M. Allen and L. Bickell; centre, E. Bassett; guards, F. Elliott and D. Wallis (captain). Referee, E. Ryan. There were about 120 spectators, and after the game there was a dance, which continued until about midnight. The proceeds, which amounted to \$40, will be devoted to the payment of an account for lumber purchased and used on the hall by the Chautauque committee. This work and lumber were accepted by the trustees in lieu of rent for the building during Chautauque week.

TAYLOR AND HERD
TO PLAY IN STATES

Vardon and Braid May Also
Be Over to Compete in
Championship Events of
American Golf

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Two more illustrious names are now to be added to the list of foreign invaders for American golfing honors. They are J. H. Taylor and Sandy Herd. With such competition, bearing in mind that Harry Vardon and James Braid had sometime ago declared their intention of visiting this country during the coming season, 1922 should be a most memorable year in the annals of golf. With the exception of Braid, all these players have at some time or other been seen in the United States. Herd, who is one of the oldest of the "old guard," has still a great deal of golf in him, as was disclosed by his playing in the last British open championship.

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V.I.A.A. BASKETBALL

Basketball activities will be resumed tonight in the V.I.A.A. gymnasium, with three good games down for decision on the evening's programme. In the first game the V.I.A.A. Ladies League team will play against a V.I.A.A. ladies' team picked from V.I.A.A. players who are members of other club teams. This is expected to provide a thrilling contest. Following this game the ladies' "B" team play the Calgarlans, and the final game of the evening will be between the V.I.A.A. men's senior team and intermediates.

SLIM SALEE HANDED
RELEASE BY GIANTS

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Harry (Slim) Salee, veteran left-handed pitcher of the New York Nationals, has been unconditionally released by the Giants.

DETROIT, Dec. 29.—George Cutshaw, Pittsburgh National League second baseman, has been purchased by the Detroit Tigers.

ONTARIO HOCKEY

Wednesday night's results in Ontario hockey were:

O. H. A. Junior
Aurora 15, Parkdale 2.
Dunville 1, Port Melbourne 5.
Cayuga 1, Welland 11.

Intermediate
Windsor 5, Chesley 3.
Senior Exhibition Game
St. Brigid 2, Sudbury 11.

McGill Students Win
BOSTON, Dec. 29.—McGill University, Montreal, defeated the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 4 to 2, in a hockey game at the Arena tonight.

DISMISSED OFFICIALS
QUIT TOMORROW NIGHT

Detectives' Long Service Re-
quired by Being Thrown Into
Street — Sever Connection
at Year's End

Saturday at midnight will see the termination of the services of Detective Inspector George M. Perdue, Sergeant Detective Carlow, and Detective H. H. Macdonald and Sam Scilliano, whose dismissal on three months' notice was ordered by Commissioners Hall and North, the policy of whom was apparently ratified at the recent election, when the electors approved of Mr. W. E. Stenland and turned down Mr. Thomas Walker, who demanded a full investigation into the whole police department.

There was no opportunity for the detectives to state their own case other than one or two communications made to the press by Inspector Perdue, action which the commissioners dubbed evidence of insubordination and breach of discipline and in respect of which Commissioners Hall and North suspended the Inspector within ten days of the termination of his long and markedly successful administration.

While the four detective officials leave at the year's end their departure, it is stated by those in the know, has started a miniature internecine war in the uniform ranks of the department, a large number of the members of which allegedly are sparing for position in the hope that they may be named to the plain clothes branch. The retiring board, it is stated, has been asked to make a recommendation to the effect that the dismissed men be permitted to remain in the uniform ranks of the department, but this plan fell flat when Chief Fry refused to make a recommendation to that effect, pointing out that his experience of the work of the plain clothes department showed that it would be the height of folly to turn over the duties of the dismissed men to the police department.

Starts Something

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HATTERS BEAT EAGLES

The Wilcox Hat team defeated the Eagles by 725 pins at the City Bowling Alley last night.

A Wilcox bowled high score for the 223 pins; D. M. McGregor bowled high score for the Eagles, 163 pins.

Following are the full scores:

Wilcox Hat
W. Fairall ... 148 148 145 473
A. Harness ... 173 161 179 513
C. Durand ... 104 149 145 448
P. Nehring ... 159 138 148 525
A. Wilcox ... 177 136 123 536

Eagles
M. McGregor ... 143 147 156 466
P. Buck ... 92 110 155 360
J. Knight ... 44 120 59 243
W. Neill ... 132 706 123 368

547 620 599 1766

The next match will be played on Friday night between the Arcades and The Colonist teams.

ELKS COMING OVER
FOR NEW YEAR RACE

VANCOUVER, Dec. 29.—The Elks race team will again compete for the Dunlop Tire trophy which they won last New Year's Day. The race this year will be held in Victoria on January 2, shortly Richmond, trainer for the Elks, says that his team is in the best of shape, and the boys hope to bring the shield back to Vancouver with them.

Winnipeg, Dec. 29.—At an investiture held at Government House today Brig.-Gen. H. N. Rutan, a pioneer in Winnipeg military circles, was made a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. Several other local military men received the Order of the British Empire, long service medals and the Distinguished Service Order.

School Children's Defects
TORONTO, Dec. 29.—That 78 per cent of the 78,000 Ontario school children examined were found to have defective teeth and 13 per cent to have defective eyesight, was the statement of Dr. J. T. Fry, of the Ontario Department of Education, to the Educational section of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, today.

Chinaman Arrested—Charged with being in possession of opium, Sing, a Chinaman, was arrested in his room on Fleet Street last night at midnight by Chief Fry and Constables McLennan and Bishop. He will be arraigned in the Police Court this morning. A quantity of drug was secured.

SOLDIERS' CHILDREN
FROLIC ROUND TREE

Jolly Christmas Entertainment
Given Yesterday Afternoon
by Veterans of France for
Comrades' Bairns

Happy little feet and merry child voices invaded the cedar-decked hall of the Veterans of France Club yesterday afternoon, the occasion being the annual Christmas tree for the orphans and small sons and daughters of men who went across the ocean during the war to serve for King and Country.

It was a well-organized and very jolly affair, and a corps of kind-hearted ladies and willing ex-service men ran the machinery smoothly from the moment of the arrival of the first small guests to the exit of the last lingering visitor. The whole place was elaborately decorated for the occasion, cedar boughs flecked with "snow," Christmas bells, and a great fire roaring up the big chimney being the first note of welcome in the entrance hall. Upstairs in the dining-room there was an elaborate spread, a long table stretching the full length of the cooly-lighted hall groaning under its weight of sandwiches and cake, fruit, raisins and other goodies. Orange-colored decorations and orange-colored lights were a happy thought, while a little tree of holly in the very centre of the table was a further Christmas suggestion. Three "sittings" were required to accommodate the youthful visitors, some of whom were so small that they had to have the support of their mother's lap during tea-time. While the second and third sittings were enjoying the abundant repast, Number One, already satisfied, waited in a big lounge hall downstairs where Mrs. George Simpson and Miss Thain kept them singing such popular refrains as "The Long Trail," "Home Fires," etc. Attention was held with difficulty from the shimmering and spangled Christmas tree from which depended glistening bangles of every hue, kewpies, paper horns and other fascinating things.

Santa Claus Appears

At last the remainder of the children streamed into the room, and a moment later Santa Claus, red-tunicked and white-whiskered as of old, bustled in to the accompaniment of delighted shrieks from the small folk, and commenced the distribution of the toys and other gifts which were piled beneath the tree. There were two hundred and ten youngsters to be supplied, and Mrs. A. Anderson, who helped Santa Claus, had rather a big task to hand out the gifts quickly enough. In a few minutes the place was pandemonium with whistles and drums, mouth-organs and squeak dolls, and this time the work of distributing the presents to the remaining children proved no difficult task. But in due course it was all accomplished, and after a couple of hours' entertainment with their new possessions and games with each other, the youngsters were gathered under the wings of mothers or escorts and taken away home. The last of the small guests leaving about eight o'clock.

The tree conveners were Mrs. Macnicol, Mrs. Murdoch, Mrs. George Simpson and Miss Thain. The tea arrangements were in the capable hands of Madam Murdoch, Walker, Elliott, Ward, Crawford and Macnicol, and the Misses A. and M. Macpherson. There was also a men's committee from the Veterans of France which assisted wherever required, the members being Messrs. A. Murdoch, A. Anderson, J. G. Bloom, J. Blo, P. T. Tebbutt, C. Falkner and W. Patterson.

Many of the firms, as well as private citizens of Victoria, contributed to the affair, fruit, cakes, tea, nuts, oranges, etc., being given by some of them. The Christmas tree itself was a present from Mr. and Mrs. Beckwith, of Eberts Glyn, Royal Oak, Brown's Nursery, Esquimalt, sent plants for the decoration of the tables. The following are among others who gave supplies or help in connection with the affair:

Mrs. Bertha Moore, David Spencer & Co., B. Wilson & Co., Masters, Fort Street; Messrs. Simon, Leiser, Little & Taylor, Kelly, Douglas & Co., Golden West Bakery, Smith, Davidson & Wright, W. Levy, Clear Stand, Yates Street; Hoyles, Ltd., Douglas Street; Mrs. P. Connolly, Gen. H. T. Hughes, two French helmets in replica of the Great War (these were specially raffled for as being a work of art and a treasured souvenir); Mr. Jack Dadds, Windsor Hotel; Mr. Kenny, 443 Michigan Street; Woolworth's Store, Carter Electric Co., Messrs. Stewart & Co., Yates Street.

The following are some of the larger cash donations received: Dr. V. Bush (eminent psychologist), \$15; part proceeds of the North-Hall meeting, \$50; Mr. H. Maynard, \$25; Ladies' Auxiliary to Veterans of France, \$20; P. Burns & Co., \$10; Bawden, Kidd & Co., \$5; Victoria Steam Laundry, \$5.

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hats, trumps, balloons and numerous other features will be some of the things which will contribute to the gaiety and pleasures of the season who are present. Supper, arrangements for which are in the hands of a capable committee, will be served at 11:30 o'clock.

The hall will be artistically decorated for the occasion, and the newly installed electric fan system will keep the hall at an even temperature. Mr. Perry's saxophone orchestra will furnish the music. Members may bring a friend on their invitation on this occasion. Dancing will commence at nine o'clock.

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What's at the Playhouses?

"HAMLET" TONIGHT AT PANTAGES THEATRE

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"Hamlet," the sublime tragedy of William Shakespeare, is considered the masterpiece of this poet. It is also the greatest acting play in the English language, and is more widely read than any work in our literature excepting the Bible; hence it is the best known of Shakespeare's plays. It is also the test-part for the actor, and so seldom has it been successfully performed that the actors who have really succeeded in the role have by common consent been acclaimed the greatest of their calling.

Edwin Booth was the last successful Hamlet among American actors. Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson holds this distinction among the actors of the English stage. Booth has passed away, and Forbes-Robertson has said his farewell to the footlights. Now Mr. John E. Kellard, who brings a brilliant organization here to the Pantages Theatre this week, is regarded by all judges of superlative acting as the greatest Hamlet of his day. Booth's fame rested on his one hun-

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Capitol—"Beside the Bonny Briar

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Variety—"The Girl From God's

Country."

Domion—"The Call of the

North."

Columbia—"The Terror."



KELLARD AS "HAMLET"

dred nights' run in Hamlet in 1884; Robertson on his one hundred nights at the Lyceum, London; Kellard's fame on his one hundred and two nights in the same character at the Garden and Harris Theatres, New York City.

The scenery is said to be magnificent, and the costumes exceptionally beautiful and historically correct. A feature of the production is the musical embellishment, which has been especially composed for this organization.

DOMINION When Jack Holt tried on

THEATRE his handsome fringed

and thrummed buckskin

costume for "The Call of the North,"

his first starring picture for Para-

mount, which is at the Dominion

Theatre, he walked along the study

"boardwalk," a fine figure of a man,

indeed. But there was something

lacking. "What's missing from your

costume, Jack?" asked one of the

actors. "Moccasins," he replied. And

sure enough it was the fact that he

had on modern canvas shoes, which

spoiled the ensemble. However, he

turned up his heels, with a handsome

pair of moccasins, and there wasn't

a discordant note in his costume.

COLUMBIA In his newest William

THEATRE Fox production, "The

Terror," which was pre-

sented for the first time at the Co-

lumbia Theatre last night, Tom Mix

marks up another winner. Not only

does the star hold his audience spell-

bound and make it gasp in amazement

at his new stunts, but he has a

photoplay that is a genuine "cork-

er." "The Terror" is a story of the

rush for gold in the Sierra Nevada

Mountains, and the picture, without

question, is the most thrilling Mix has

done this season. He is seen as Bat

Carson, a deputy United States mar-

shal, who goes to the town of Sonora

to investigate mysterious killings of

gold while on his way from mine to

town.

CAPITOL Every effort was made

THEATRE by Famous Players-Lasky

British Producers, Ltd., to achieve

absolute accuracy of detail in matters of atmosphere

and local color in the new Donald Crisp

production, "The Bonnie Briar Bush,"

which Margaret Turnbull adapted for

the screen from Ian MacLaren's Scot-

tish classic, and which will be shown

at the Capitol Theatre this week. The

exterior was filmed in a typically

Capetonian natural setting, and ex-

pert advice was procured in all mat-

ters relating to national customs and

dress. It is interesting to note that

the village pipers in the story were

a selected group of picked musicians

of the London Scottish and the Scotch

Guards. No fewer than twenty of

these bagpipe virtuosos were requisitioned

from Wellington Barracks to appear

in the film. The bagpipes were

which is one of the big features of

the production.

MARY PICKFORD IN

CHARMING ROLE AT

DOMINION MONDAY

When a reporter writes a news

story he is supposed to put practi-

cally all of the facts into the first

paragraph. But when he writes a

ORPHANS INVITED TO SEE PANTOMIME

Forty Little Guests Will Witness Performance This Evening at Royal Victoria—French Dancer Directs

Through the kindness of Mr. Clifford Deham, manager of the Royal Victoria Theatre, and the members of the Victoria Dramatic and Operatic Society, the children of the Protestant Orphan Home have been invited to attend the pantomime this evening, and forty little guests, accompanied by the matron, will witness "Babes in the Wood."

Upon inquiry from the Native Daughters of B.C. Post No. 3, for reservation for the children to attend a performance of the popular play, the members found the enterprise graciously undertaken by the pantomime promoters, who cordially invited all the children of the orphanage; however, it was decided by the matron that forty of the older kiddies should be taken. The Native Daughters will arrange with Messrs. Cameron & Calwell for motor transportation for the little guests to and from the theatre.

Among the most spectacular and picturesque scenes of "Babes in the Wood" are the dances performed by Miss Roberta Balcom, and the Dance of the Statues, both of these being under the direction of Madame Valda. Madame Valda came to Victoria three years ago, and during that time has lived in the country near here. This

Madame Valda's first undertaking in America, and without doubt a great deal more will be heard of this little French dancer, who brings with her the great experience of a career at the Paris Opera House, where she studied under M. Statta, at present

maitre-de-ballet there. She has also danced at the Nice Opera House, and appeared in several films, with Pathé, Gaumont, and the London Film Co. Madame Valda has posed for Auguste John and Epstein. She is a personal friend of Madame Anna Pavlova, and while in London was in the habit of practicing at Madame Pavlova's home, 105 House, Golders Green.

"I commenced my work at seven years of age, and have danced my way through life, absolutely, until I came out here," laughed the dancer. During the late war Madame Valda joined a soldier who had enlisted in this city with the Thirtieth Battalion.

MANY THRILLS IN NELL SHIPMAN'S FILM AT VARIETY THEATRE

Full of thrilling moments and tense situations, to say nothing of beautiful snow scenes and animal studies, is Nell Shipman's latest and greatest outdoor production, "The Girl From God's Country," showing at the Variety today. Miss Shipman is story author and director of the new picture, and her combined efforts reveal the biggest screen attraction of the Fall.

Miss Shipman enacts a thrilling battle 6,000 feet in mid-air, depicting a scene where Neeka encounters Otto Kraus, who has tricked her into treason and has secured a formula for making "solidified gasoline," to be used in the trans-Pacific flight "by Carlisle, Neeka's real father.

Carlisle has practically stolen this formula from a crazed inventor who lives in solitude in a lonely hut in the sand dunes, and he (Carlisle) has taken all credit and financial rewards for the successful formula. The inventor, realising that Carlisle has been tricking him for many years, makes a desperate effort to have credit extended him for the formula.

In the battle in mid-air, Neeka's plane is broken and the wing crippled. It looks like sure death for the half-breed girl, but she makes a sensational parachute leap into the ocean and is saved by another plane with the aid of a rope ladder.

At the Dominion Next Week



Mary Pickford in Costume of Little Lord Fauntleroy

Many other thrilling adventures are depicted by Neeka. Her escape from a burning airplane hangar offers tense melodrama. "The Girl From God's Country" is released by F. B. Warren Corporation.

INTERCITY MATCH TOMORROW NIGHT

Local Y.M.C.A. Basketballers Will Meet Seattle Quintette in Y.M.C.A. Gymnasium—Splendid Game Anticipated

Local basketball followers will undoubtedly be out in large numbers tomorrow night in the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium, where one of the best games of the season is expected when the crack basketball team of the Seattle Y.M.C.A. will meet the fast-traveling quintette of local boys. The game is scheduled to commence at 8:30 o'clock, and last night there were but few reserved seats in the gallery unsold. The American lads are under the personal direction of Physical Director M. D. Wells, who is well known in Y.M.C.A. circles along the Pacific Coast. Ten men are making the trip to Victoria on Saturday afternoon, and every one of them is confident that they will not depart from Victoria on Sunday with anything less than a decisive victory. This view, however, is not held by the local athletes, who believe that they will come out of the struggle smiling.

Physical Director W. E. Marjorie, of the Victoria Y.M.C.A., stated last night that his boys were working hard and would be in good shape to meet the visitors. He said that the lineup of the local squad would be picked from the following men: Stan Moore, Angus McKinnon, Leslie Patt, Vernon Jones, Bill Hudson and Joe Brimley. The Seattle aggregation is regarded on the other side of the line as a

difficult crew to beat, but the Victoria boys' hopes are running high.

A preliminary match to the main event is now being planned, and it is likely that the leading teams in the ladies' division of the Sunday School Basketball League and the City Ladies' Basketball League will oppose one another. As the standard of basketball in both these ladies' leagues is of an excellent order, an exciting contest can safely be looked forward to by local sporting enthusiasts.

The Seattle Y.M.C.A. team will leave Victoria on Sunday afternoon for Vancouver, where they will meet the speedy Mainland boys on the following Monday night, returning to their home city on the same evening.

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Children's White Flannelette Gowns, made with yoke, high neck and long sleeves; sizes for 2 to 4 years, **85c**; sizes for 6, 8 and 10 years at..... **\$1.00**
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White Flannelette Gowns, in several styles, including V or high neck, double yoke and long sleeves; they are trimmed with silk stitching and pin-tucks; in sizes for the ages of 4 to 6 years at..... **\$1.00**
Sizes for 8 to 10 years at..... **\$1.25**
Sizes for 12 to 16 years at..... **\$1.50**
Children's White Flannelette Drawers, with frill and elastic, and made with band buttoned at the waist; sizes for 4 to 10 years. Special at..... **50c**
Sizes for 12 to 16 years at..... **60c**
Children's Flannelette Drawers with frill at the knee and band buttoned at the waist; sizes for the ages of 2 to 10 years, a pair, **35c**
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Children's Stripe Flannelette Pajamas, in two-piece styles; made of excellent grade material, in assorted shades, including pink and blue. They are neatly trimmed with silk braid and shown in sizes for the ages of 5 to 14 years. Special at..... **\$1.75**
Heavy Quality White Flannelette Pajamas, one-piece style, finished with silk stitching, and made for the ages of 7 to 12 years, at..... **\$2.50**
—Children's, 1st Floor

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33-inch Natural Pongee Silk, in a quality and texture that will make up well in children's dresses and casement curtains. Regular **85c**; now offered at, a yard..... **49c**
36-inch Black Chiffon Taffeta, a silk of bright finish and smooth, even weave; a quality that will give best results in dresses or separate skirts; black only. Reg. **\$2.75** for..... **\$1.59**
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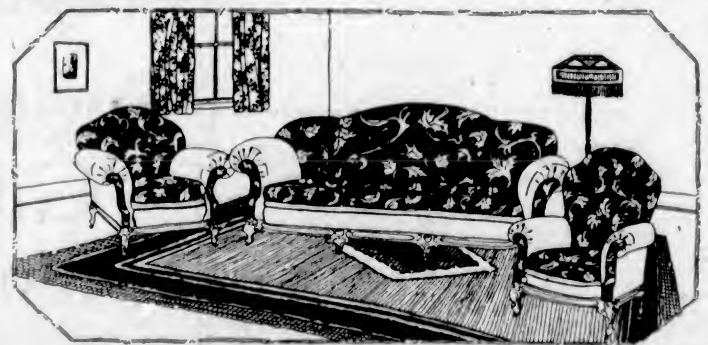
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Belted Style English Gaberdine Raincoats, with strap on sleeve, with tailored collar and two pockets; neat coats for women or misses; in shades of fawn, grey and navy. Excellent value for..... **\$13.95**
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The quiet period which usually comes after Christmas is a most convenient time to have your furniture upholstered and draperies renewed. We are prepared now with high-grade tapestries and damasks at lower prices to make your upholstered furniture as good as new at a minimum cost. Note the excellent values in upholstery fabrics:
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Free estimates given on upholstery work.
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Seagrass Chairs and Rockers at Lower Prices

Large Size Seagrass Chairs and Rockers, roll back and arms, heavy woven seats, and strong, well made sides. Chairs that will give entire satisfaction, Arm Chairs at, each..... **\$8.60**
Rockers at, each..... **\$9.10**
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Rockers at, each..... **\$9.25**
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Seagrass Tables, with round tops and lower shelf, well made and strongly braced. Tables which are useful in any room. Sale price, **\$7.50** and..... **\$9.90**
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Men's Print and Cambric Shirts, patterned in fancy and light stripes, and made with soft double cuffs and starch collar band. Special at, each, **\$1.95, \$2.50, \$2.75** to..... **\$4.50**
Men's Negligee Shirts, in Ceylon finish, made with separate collar and soft double cuffs. Special at..... **\$2.50**
Men's Fine Cambric Handkerchiefs, with neat, hemstitched borders. Special at, each, **25c** and..... **35c**
Men's Flannelette Pajamas, in white or fancy stripes. Very special at, a suit..... **\$2.25**
—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Groceries Daily Bulletin

Pure Apple Cider, large bottle, each..... **24c**
Old English Ginger Wine, per bottle..... **39c**
Fruit Wines, per bottle..... **43c**
Robbie Burns Shortbread, per tin..... **72c**
Mixed Nuts, per lb..... **23c**
Roasted Peanuts, per lb..... **12 1/2c**
California Figs, per pkg..... **7c**
Cresca Stuffed Dates, box..... **99c**
Kelly's Mince, quart sealers, each..... **52c**
Ginger in Syrup, per crock, 20c and..... **62c**
Sunlight Soap, per pkg..... **24c**
Australian Rabbit, 2-lb. tin..... **39c**
Canadian Macaroni, 1-lb. pkg..... **15c**
Cowan's Eating Chocolate, per cake..... **4c**
Brown Beans, 4 lbs..... **24c**
Cocoanut, per lb..... **20c**
Velvet Pastry Flour, 7-lb. sack at..... **20c**
Royal Standard Oatmeal, 10-lb. sack..... **49c**
Wild Rose Pastry Flour, 49-lb. sack..... **\$1.95**

Provision Counter Bulletin

Spencer's Prime Butter at, lb., 44c; or 3 lbs. for..... **\$1.29**
No. 1 Alberta Butter at, lb., 42c; or 3 lbs. for..... **\$1.23**
Springfield Brand Butter, at, per lb..... **41c**
Pure Lard at, lb., 17c; or 3 lbs. for..... **50c**
Nucua at, pkg..... **35c**
Spencer's Special Ayrshire Ham at, lb..... **45c**
Spencer's Special Ayrshire Shoulder at, lb..... **40c**
Unsmoked Cottage Rolls at, per lb..... **23c**
Smoked Cottage Rolls, lb..... **26c**
Unsmoked Picnic Hams at, per lb..... **18c**
Smoked Picnic Hams at, lb..... **20c**
Choice Side Bacon, half or whole, at, lb., 30c; sliced, lb..... **33c**
Unsmoked Hams, half or whole, at, lb..... **32c**
Swift's Premium Hams, half or whole, at, lb..... **44c**
Burns' Mild Cured Hams, half or whole, at, lb..... **35c**
Skinless Back Bacon, sliced, at, lb., 38c; by the piece, lb., **35c**
Pea Meal Back Bacon, sliced, at, lb..... **42c**
Unsmoked Bacon, sliced, at, lb., 30c; by the piece at, lb., **28c**
Swift's Premium Bacon, sliced, at, lb..... **58c**
Cooked Pickled Lamb's Tongues, at, lb..... **34c**
Ham Bologna at, lb..... **24c**
Baked Loaf at, lb..... **30c**
Roast Pork at, lb..... **55c**
Headcheese in bowls, each..... **18c**
Headcheese in bulk at, lb..... **17c**
Ashland Ham at, lb..... **30c**
Cooked Corned Beef at, lb., **35c**
Imported French Roquefort Cheese at, lb..... **\$1.10**
Imported English Stilton at, per lb..... **\$1.10**
Imported Gouda Cheese, lb., **95c**
Mild Canadian Cheese, lb., **24c**
Old Canadian Stilton Cheese at, lb..... **33c**
Edam Dutch Cheese at, lb., **75c**
Kraft "Pimento" Cheese at, per lb..... **48c**
Derby Cheese at, lb..... **48c**
B.C. Fresh Eggs at, doz..... **63c**
—Provisions, Lower Main Floor

Grocery Delivery—Phones 2077-2079

Cleaned Currants, per pkg..... **16c**
Smyrna Table Figs, per lb., 35c, 45c and..... **49c**
Crystallized Cherries, 1-lb. boxes, each..... **\$1.10**
Glaze Cherries, 1-lb. boxes..... **\$1.15**
Spanish Table Raisins, per pkg., 37c, 46c and..... **55c**
Royal Standard Flour, 49-lb. sack..... **\$2.10**
California Table Raisins, per package..... **33c**
Jell-O, per pkg..... **12c**
Shredded Wheat, pkg..... **14c**
Paragon Bread Flour, 10-lb. sack for..... **55c**
Cream of Wheat, pkg..... **25c**
Spencer's Pure Cocoa, 1/2-lb. tin..... **25c**
Crystallized Ginger, per lb..... **25c**
Rolled Oats, 7 lbs..... **20c**
P.P.P. Salmon, tall tins..... **14c**
Creamettes Macaroni, pkg., **12c**

Fresh Meats—Phone 2072

Cash and Carry as Displayed in Cases. Not Delivered
GRAIN FED PORK
Shoulders, lb..... **17c** Butts, very meaty, at, lb., **26c**
Loins, 3 to 5 lbs., at, lb., **32c**
CHOICE STEER BEEF
Rib Steak, lb., 15c and..... **8c** Mince Steak, at, lb., **10c**
T-Bone Steak, at, lb., **27c** Plate Beef, at, lb., **8c**
Boneless Stewing Beef, lb., **10c** Pot Roasts, at, lb., **7c**
—Fresh Meats, Lower Main Floor

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At \$1.25 \$1.50 and \$1.75 Each



Nightgowns of Fine Quality Flannelette, with button fronts and long sleeves. Special at..... **\$1.25**
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Nightgowns of White Flannelette, high neck, long sleeves and trimmed with lace. On sale at..... **\$1.75**
Outsized in Nightgowns of White Flannelette, with high neck and long sleeves. On sale at..... **\$1.75**
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Extension constructed with heavy angle iron and fitted with link fibre spring. The pad is covered with first grade domestic or green denim, excellently finished in every way, making a desirable couch or extra bed if desired. Special value at..... **\$16.90**
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These specials only delivered with other purchases.
—Patent Medicine Dept., Main Floor—Phone 1550

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